

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
SENATE BILL 840**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “447.145” insert “and 455.610”.

2 In line 12, delete “toilets” and insert “water closets”.

3 In line 18, delete “9.46” and insert “8.33”.

4 In line 23, delete “toilets” and insert “water closets”.

5 In line 25, delete “toilets” and insert “water closets”.

6 On page 2, line 4, delete “toilet” and insert “water closet”.

7 In line 7, delete “toilet” and insert “water closet”.

8 After line 10, insert:

9 **“SECTION 2. ORS 455.610 is amended to read:**

10 “455.610. (1) The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business  
11 Services shall adopt, and amend as necessary, a Low-Rise Residential  
12 Dwelling Code that contains all requirements, including structural design  
13 provisions, related to the construction of residential dwellings three stories  
14 or less above grade. The code provisions for plumbing and electrical re-  
15 quirements must be compatible with other specialty codes adopted by the  
16 director. The Electrical and Elevator Board, the Mechanical Board and the  
17 State Plumbing Board shall review, respectively, amendments to the elec-  
18 trical, mechanical or plumbing provisions of the code.

19 “(2) Changes or amendments to the code adopted under subsection (1) of  
20 this section may be made when:

21 “(a) Required by geographic or climatic conditions unique to Oregon;

22 “(b) Necessary to be compatible with other statutory provisions;

1       “(c) Changes to the national codes are adopted in Oregon; or

2       “(d) Necessary to authorize the use of building materials and techniques  
3 that are consistent with nationally recognized standards and building prac-  
4 tices.

5       “(3) Notwithstanding ORS 455.030, 455.035, 455.110 and 455.112, the direc-  
6 tor may, at any time following appropriate consultation with the Mechanical  
7 Board or Building Codes Structures Board, amend the mechanical specialty  
8 code or structural specialty code to ensure compatibility with the Low-Rise  
9 Residential Dwelling Code.

10       “(4) The water conservation provisions for [*toilets*] **water closets**, urinals,  
11 shower heads and interior faucets adopted in the Low-Rise Residential  
12 Dwelling Code shall be the same as those adopted under ORS 447.020 to meet  
13 the requirements of ORS 447.145.

14       “(5) The Low-Rise Residential Dwelling Code shall be adopted and  
15 amended as provided by ORS 455.030 and 455.110.

16       “(6) The director, by rule, shall establish uniform standards for a  
17 municipality to allow an alternate method of construction to the require-  
18 ments for one and two family dwellings built to the Low-Rise Residential  
19 Dwelling Code in areas where the local jurisdiction determines that the fire  
20 apparatus means of approach to a property or water supply serving a prop-  
21 erty does not meet applicable fire code or state building code requirements.  
22 The alternate method of construction, which may include but is not limited  
23 to the installation of automatic fire sprinkler systems, must be approved in  
24 conjunction with the approval of an application under ORS 197.522.

25       “(7) For lots of record existing before July 2, 2001, or property that re-  
26 ceives any approval for partition, subdivision or construction under ORS  
27 197.522 before July 2, 2001, a municipality allowing an alternate method of  
28 construction to the requirements for one and two family dwellings built to  
29 the Low-Rise Residential Dwelling Code may apply the uniform standards  
30 established by the director pursuant to subsection (6) of this section. For

1 property that receives all approvals for partition, subdivision or construction  
2 under ORS 197.522 on or after July 2, 2001, a municipality allowing an al-  
3 ternate method of construction to the requirements for one and two family  
4 dwellings built to the Low-Rise Residential Dwelling Code must apply the  
5 uniform standards established by the director pursuant to subsection (6) of  
6 this section.”.

7 In line 11, delete “2” and insert “3” and delete “by section 1” and insert  
8 “and 455.610 by sections 1 and 2”.

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