

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 3186**

1 Delete lines 4 through 29 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1.** ORS 454.615 is amended to read:

3 “454.615. (1) The Environmental Quality Commission shall adopt rules
4 that:

5 “[1] (a) Prescribe minimum requirements for the design and construction
6 of subsurface sewage disposal systems, alternative sewage disposal systems
7 and nonwater-carried sewage disposal facilities or parts thereof including
8 grading, excavating and earth-moving work connected therewith, and allow
9 for use of alternative systems and component materials consistent with the
10 minimum requirements. Requirements prescribed under this section may vary
11 in different areas or regions of the state.

12 “[2] (b) Prescribe minimum requirements for the operation and mainte-
13 nance of subsurface sewage disposal systems, alternative sewage disposal
14 systems and nonwater-carried sewage disposal facilities or parts thereof.

15 “[3] (c) Prescribe requirements for the pumping out or cleaning of sub-
16 surface sewage disposal systems, alternative sewage disposal systems and
17 nonwater-carried sewage disposal facilities or parts thereof, for the disposal
18 of material derived from such pumping out or cleaning, for sewage pumping
19 equipment, for sewage tank trucks and for the identification of sewage tank
20 trucks and workers.

21 **“(2) A person may apply for a variance from the requirements of**
22 **subsection (1) of this section related to the design and construction**

1 of subsurface sewage disposal systems, alternative sewage disposal
2 systems and nonwater-carried sewage disposal facilities or parts
3 thereof. A person applying for a variance under this subsection must
4 reside in an area that meets the following requirements:

5 “(a) _____ percent of the households in the area must have incomes
6 that do not exceed 120 percent of the federal poverty level; or

7 “(b)(A) The median household income for the area must be at or
8 below 80 percent of the statewide median household income; and

9 “(B) The unemployment rate in the area must be at or below 80
10 percent of the statewide unemployment rate.

11 **“SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Environmental Quality shall**
12 **undertake a study of issues related to the design and construction of**
13 **subsurface sewage disposal systems, alternative sewage disposal sys-**
14 **tems and nonwater-carried sewage disposal facilities or parts thereof**
15 **described in ORS 454.615, including the creation of a groundwater**
16 **monitoring program to provide data related to the requirements de-**
17 **scribed in ORS 454.615, the development of a plan to provide assistance**
18 **related to the requirements described in ORS 454.615 and partnerships**
19 **between public and private entities related to the requirements de-**
20 **scribed in ORS 454.615.**

21 **“(2) The department shall report the results of the study to the in-**
22 **terim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to environment**
23 **and natural resources on or before November 1, 2014.**

24 **“SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2013 Act is repealed on January 2,**
25 **2015.**

26 **“SECTION 4. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate**
27 **preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is**
28 **declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.”.**

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