

**78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2015 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 671**  
**PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY** **CARRIER:**  
**Senate Committee on Rules**

**REVENUE: No revenue impact**  
**FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued**  
**SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:**

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**Action:**

**Vote:**

**Yeas:**

**Nays:**

**Exc.:**

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/24

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to transfer ownership of certain real property to City of Pendleton. Requires certain assurances by DAS at time of conveyance.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

-1 amendment: Provides specific property and tax lot information for state-owned property being transferred to City of Pendleton. The properties being transferred are: Blue Mountain Recovery Center and Eastern Oregon Training Center sites. Requires Oregon Department of Administrative to provide proof that properties are environmentally clean, evidenced by inspection and testing needed through Phase I and Phase II site assessments.

**BACKGROUND:** The Blue Mountain Recovery Center (BMRC) was a psychiatric facility in Pendleton that closed March 31, 2014. Built in 1948, BMRC was originally the admission and treatment building of the former Eastern Oregon State Hospital. Most recently, it provided hospital-level care for up to 60 patients who had been committed to the Oregon Health Authority for psychiatric treatment. Following its closer, the remaining BMRC patients have been transferred to the Oregon State Hospital's Portland and Salem campuses. Construction of a new psychiatric facility in Junction City is scheduled to be complete by the end of the year, and it will begin serving patients in spring of 2015. The new facilities in Salem and Junction City were designed to provide a therapeutic environment that best supports recovery from mental illness.

Senate Bill 671 transfers ownership of BMRC and Eastern Oregon Training Center to the City of Pendleton.

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