

Oregon State Building & Construction Trades Council



International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers – Local 280



National Electrical Contractors Association



Plumbing & Mechanical Contractors Association – Oregon



Independent Electrical Contractors Association



Sheet Metal & Air Conditioning Contractors

– Columbia Chapter



Oregon State Association of Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors



Oregon Home Builders Association



Sheet Metal Workers
- Local 16



Associated Builders and Contractors – Pacific Northwest Chapter



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HB 2843 – Streamlining Interagency Customer Services (BCD-CCB)

The Construction Industry Policy Advisory Committee (CIPAC) represents construction trades, builders and other contractors, cities, counties, and related associations. CIPAC works with BCD on statewide construction policy.

The Oregon Construction Contractors Board and the Oregon Building Codes Division provide licensing and enforcement services to the construction industry. These two organizations serve the same construction community through different agencies and different agency licensing and enforcement systems.

This legislation creates new partnership opportunities and eliminates statutory barriers to increase efficiency and reduce duplication. It is expected by partnering together, contractors, businesses, and Oregon citizens would benefit from a streamlined and efficient approach to providing construction licensing services. Both organizations would retain separate and distinct agency status, but work closer together through new "tools" provided by the legislature.

This bill does not reorganize either agency or allow the director of either agency to make final regulatory decisions on behalf of the other agency or industry board.

CIPAC supports passage of HB 2843 in order to create state government efficiencies.

HB 2843 would:

- Encourage agency cooperation by allowing BCD-CCB to share resources, electronic systems, and the ability to serve customers seeking licenses of both agencies through a one-stop shopping experience.
- Remove statutory barriers between BCD and CCB to collect license fees on each other's behalf.
- Allow a streamlined partnership concept for both agencies to work together and share information in order to provide basic licensing and enforcement services.

CIPAC encourages your approval of this important bill.



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Building Owners & Managers Association - Oregon



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Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session **MEASURE:** HB 2843 **CARRIER:** Rep. Smith Warner

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Consumer Protection and Government Effectiveness

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

02/26/15 **Action Date:** Do Pass. Action: **Meeting Dates:** 02/19, 02/26

Vote:

Yeas: 7 - Buehler, Fagan, Holvey, McLain, Nearman, Rayfield, Stark

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Authorizes Department of Consumer and Business Services to enter into interagency agreements with Construction Contractors Board for Board to perform duties on behalf of Department related to state building code. Authorizes Construction Contractors Board to enter into interagency agreements with Department of Consumer and Business Services for Department to perform duties on behalf of Board. Declares emergency, effective upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Overlap between licensees of Building Codes Division and Construction Contractors Board
- Other examples of interagency coordination in Oregon state government
- Need for legislation in order to coordinate

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Building Codes Division of the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) adopts and administers uniform statewide building codes, provides interpretation and enforcement of building codes, certifies inspectors and assists local governments, and licenses specialty contractors such as electricians and plumbers. The Construction Contractors Board (CCB) licenses people working for compensation in construction involving improvement to real property, including activities such as roofing, siding, painting, carpentry, plumbing, electrical work and home inspections. The CCB investigates reports of unlicensed activity on construction sites and engages in dispute resolution between consumers and contractors.

House Bill 2843 authorizes DCBS and CCB to enter into interagency agreements to perform certain duties on each other's behalf, and provides terms for such agreements related to the use of each other's employees and information to carry out work under interagency agreements, the sharing of resources, the acceptance and transfer of fees and the reimbursement of expenses.