

Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
House Committee On Rural Communities, Land Use, and Water

MEASURE: SB 320 A
CARRIER: Rep. Gomberg

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 05/26/15

Action: Do Pass.

Meeting Dates: 05/12, 05/21, 05/26

Vote:

Yeas: 6 - Clem, Gilliam, Helm, McLane, Post, Witt

Exc: 1 - Gomberg

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Exempts food establishments from statutes addressing sanitary regulations for food and food establishments if: establishment is located in residential dwelling; food prepared is baked or confectionary and does not contain marijuana; food is only sold to end user; food is not sold over internet; food is not potentially hazardous; food meets certain labeling requirements; and annual gross sales do not exceed \$20,000. Requires each individual involved in preparation of food at establishment for distribution to have successfully completed food handler training program. Requires food establishment to maintain and make available to Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) upon request, records of annual sales and types of food produced for at least three years. Authorizes ODA to require food establishment be licensed under statutes addressing sanitary regulations for food and food establishments if establishment refuses to comply with ODA rules that establishment be constructed and maintained in clean, healthful and sanitary conditions.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Food safety
- Prevalence of food deserts in rural Oregon
- Existing Home Kitchen License from Oregon Department of Agriculture

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Department of Agriculture is responsible for regulating production, processing and distribution of food products. Under current law, anyone who would like to sell baked goods that are made in his or her home kitchen must meet requirements and obtain a domestic kitchen license.

Senate Bill 320A would exempt certain food establishments from having to obtain a domestic kitchen license if, in addition to other requirements, they are located in a residential dwelling, prepare baked or confectionary goods and their annual gross sales do not exceed \$20,000.