

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER: Sen. Beyer

Senate Committee On Rules

**Fiscal:** No fiscal impact  
**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

**Action Date:** 02/25/16

**Action:** Do Pass.

**Meeting Dates:** 02/25

**Vote:**

Yeas: 5 - Beyer, Boquist, Burdick, Ferrioli, Rosenbaum

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Permits cities outside Metro to complete evaluations and amendments of urban growth boundaries under statutes and administrative rules in effect on June 30, 2013 if city had met certain requirements prior to January 1, 2016. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Allows city that initiated, but did not finish, urban growth boundary (UGB) evaluation and amendment process prior to effective date of new rules, to choose to operate under previous UGB rules or new UGB rules
- Application to 10 cities
- Eliminate any potential legal ambiguity

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Each of Oregon's 242 cities is surrounded by an urban growth boundary (UGB), a line drawn on planning and zoning maps to designate where a city expects to grow residentially, industrially and commercially. In 2013, the Legislative Assembly approved House Bill 2254 which directed the Department of Land Conservation and Development to simplify methods for rural cities to evaluate or amend their urban growth boundary. The Land Conservation and Development Commission adopted rules outlining the simplified process which became effective January 1, 2016.

House Bill 4126 permits a city outside of Metro to complete evaluations and amendments of a UGB under the statutes and administrative rules that were in effect on June 30, 2013 if the city had met certain requirements prior to the rules becoming effective on January 1, 2016.