HB 2919 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Human Services and Housing

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Includes facility providing food services at senior community residence within the definition of restaurant establishment. Defines senior community residence as facility providing residential accommodations to residents 55 years of age or older with six or more households and does not provide care, counseling or treatment to resident or is transient lodging.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Food inspection in facilities for elderly persons
- Jurisdiction for food inspection
- Food safety program in Oregon

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Changes the bill. Includes facility providing food services at senior community residence within the definition of restaurant establishment. Defines senior community residence as facility providing residential accommodations to residents 55 years of age or older with six or more households and does not provide care, counseling or treatment to resident or is transient lodging.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon administrative rule for Department of Human Services' program on Aging and People with Disabilities outlines the minimum scope of resident services provided at residential care or assisted living facilities. Food preparation in residential care or assisted living facilities must be prepared and served in accordance with the Oregon Health Authority's Public Health Division food sanitation rules.

House Bill 2919 A includes facility providing food services at senior community residence within the definition of restaurant establishment. The measure defines senior community residence as facility providing residential accommodations to residents 55 years of age or older with six or more households and does not provide care, counseling or treatment to resident or is transient lodging. Inclusion of facility providing food services at senior community residences allows Oregon Health Authority to regulate and enforce rules necessary to protect the public health of persons using these facilities.