

## **HB 3370 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

### **House Committee On Human Services and Housing**

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/6

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Defines “housing with services project” and requires project to register with Department of Human Services and meet certain requirements. Subjects projects to oversight by Long Term Care Ombudsman. Becomes operative January 1, 2018. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

*FISCAL: May Have Fiscal Impact, But No Statement Yet Issued*

*REVENUE: May Have Revenue Impact, But No Statement Yet Issued*

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

#### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Housing with services programs are where an organization coordinates health and social services for senior citizens and people with disabilities living with low-income housing and subsidized housing. They are generally aimed at helping low-income residents maintain independent living while still having access to the health care and services they need. Other states, like Minnesota, require housing with services programs to be registered with the state in order to provide services. The Oregon Long Term Care Ombudsman is an independent office that performs oversight of residential facilities and also facilitates understanding of state and federal residential facility programs, laws, and policies.

House Bill 3370 defines a “housing with services project” as an entity that coordinates at least two health and social services for seniors or people with disabilities that live in publicly subsidized or private congregate settings. It requires that projects register with the Department of Human Services (DHS). The measure also sets forth certain required conditions for projects to register with DHS, including criminal background checks for staff, maintenance of confidential information, health plan participation and choice, a complaint process, and recipient participation in program development. Finally, House Bill 3370 subjects housing with services projects to oversight by the Long Term Care Ombudsman.