

SB 983 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Business and Labor

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Eliminates the limited maintenance electrician's license category. Eliminates license requirement for making electrical installations or repairs on recreational vehicles as defined in Electrical and Elevator Board Rule. Eliminates license requirement for making plumbing installations and repairs on recreational vehicles as defined in State Plumbing Board rule.

- No revenue or expenditure impacts
- Senate vote 29-0

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Building Codes Division of the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services is the state entity responsible for licensing individuals and businesses for electrical, plumbing, boiler, elevator and manufactured dwelling work. Oregon has reciprocal licensing agreements with other states for certain fields. Individuals and businesses performing work in these areas for compensation are required to be licensed, with some exceptions; each field has multiple license types, with some being specialty or limited licenses. One of these license types, the "limited maintenance electrician's license," allows the licensee to repair and maintain electrical wiring and equipment used in manufactured structures, which includes recreational vehicles, manufactured dwellings and recreational structures.

Senate Bill 983 eliminates the limited maintenance electrician's license and specifies that electrical and plumbing installations in recreational vehicles do not need to be performed by licensed electricians or plumbers.