

HB 3155 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Human Services and Housing

Action Date: 04/18/17

Action: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 9-0-0-0

Yeas: 9 - Gorsek, Keny-Guyer, Meek, Nearman, Noble, Olson, Piluso, Sanchez, Stark

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes Task Force on Use of Surplus Public Lands for Housing to study the sale and use of public lands to address housing shortages. Permits task force to consult with experts, hear testimony from affected persons and collect data. Requires Task Force to submit report by December 31, 2017. Repeals Task Force on December 31, 2018. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Public lands available in Oregon
- Contents of the measure
- Affordable housing

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Increases Task Force membership to ten members. Allows member from House of Representatives and from Department of Land Conservation and Development to vote. Specifies Task Force membership to include one member representing Housing and Community Services Department, local housing authorities, county governments, city governments and the Department of Transportation.

BACKGROUND:

Surplus lands are managed within the Enterprise Asset Management Division within the Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS). These lands are included within the State Land Inventory System, which contains information about real property currently owned by the state. The Oregon Department of State Lands and DAS work in collaboration to coordinate and record of all state-owned property. Information on agency-owned surplus property by county can be found on the State Land Inventory System.

House Bill 3155 A would establish the Task Force on Use of Surplus Lands for Housing to investigate the suitability of available surplus lands for housing purposes throughout the state.