House Bill 4006

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Requires Housing and Community Services Department to annually provide to each city and county data showing percentage of individuals resident in city or county who are severely rent burdened. Requires city or county in which at least 25 percent of population is severely rent burdened to hold public meeting to discuss issue and submit plan to department to reduce rent burdens for severely rent burdened individuals in city or county.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to housing; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) For purposes of this section, an individual is severely rent burdened if the individual lives in a household that pays more than 50 percent of the income of the household on rent for housing that is the primary residence of the individual.

(2) The Housing and Community Services Department shall annually provide to the governing body of each city and county in this state the most current data available from the United States Census Bureau, or any other source the department considers at least as reliable, showing the percentage of individuals resident in the city or county, respectively, who are severely rent burdened.

(3) In any year in which the governing body of a city or county is informed under this section that at least 25 percent of the population of the city or county, respectively, is severely rent burdened, the governing body shall:

(a) Hold at least one public meeting to discuss the causes and consequences of severe rent burdens within the city or county, the barriers to reducing rent burdens and possible solutions; and

(b) Submit a plan to the department detailing how the city or county will reduce rent burdens for severely rent burdened individuals.

(4) The department may adopt rules governing the conduct of the public meetings and the timing and contents of the plans required under subsection (3) of this section.

SECTION 2. (1) Section 1 of this 2018 Act becomes operative on the 91st day after the date on which the 2018 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

(2) Notwithstanding the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, the Housing and Community Services Department may, before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, adopt rules and take any action necessary for the department and the governing bodies of cities and counties to comply with section 1 of this 2018 Act on

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and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section.

SECTION 3. This 2018 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2018 Act takes effect on its passage.