

## HB 2893 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Human Services and Housing

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**Action Date:** 03/11/19

**Action:** Do pass and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference

**Vote:** 9-0-0-0

**Yeas:** 9 - Helt, Keny-Guyer, Meek, Mitchell, Noble, Sanchez, Schouten, Williams, Zika

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/4, 3/11

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#### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Creates an advisory committee on manufactured housing within Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS). Recommends membership and specifies duties. Requires report by March 30 of each year. Effective 91st day after adjournment *sine die*.

#### ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Goal is to determine strategies to support and engage with manufactured home park sector over time
- Manufactured homes are good investments
- There are no good financing mechanisms for purchasing a manufactured home
- Lack of new manufactured home parks; causes
- There is a need to discuss resources for homeowners in privately owned communities
- Manufactured homes comprise more than 8 percent of housing in the state and a significant portion of affordable housing
- Many of these homes are over 40 years old and need significant energy upgrades and repairs
- Investment in manufactured parks will have a good return, and affordable, safe energy efficient homes and a sense of community for residents

#### EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

#### BACKGROUND:

Manufactured homes are an important source of affordable housing. Manufactured homeowners face unique challenges: it is more difficult to obtain traditional financing for a manufactured home than other single-family dwellings, and those who reside in manufactured dwellings often own or rent the dwelling but do not own the land the dwelling sits on in a mobile home park. In recent years, the number of mobile home parks in Oregon (and nationally) has shrunk due to conversion and redevelopment for other uses. According to Oregon Housing and Community Services, from 2001-2015, 104 manufactured home parks closed, displacing approximately 6,800 individuals and 4,000 spaces.

House Bill 2893 creates an advisory committee on manufactured housing to work with stakeholders and other state agencies to address issues of concern to manufactured home parks and homeowners.