

## HB 2895 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Human Services and Housing

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

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

**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:

Requires Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) to create a grant program to fund the decommission and disposal of manufactured homes. Specifies criteria for grant program including eligibility. Appropriates \$500,000 from the General Fund. Takes effect 91st day following adjournment *sine die*.

#### ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- A goal is to remove unhealthy homes from the housing ecosystem
- Average cost to properly decommission a manufactured home is \$7, 500 to \$15,000
- Homes often contain hazardous materials, like lead based paint, toxic mold
- Discussion about whether parts can be salvaged or recycled

#### EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Broadens eligibility for grants to include manufactured dwellings located on land owned by the homeowner, or where the land is in the process of being purchased by the homeowner.

#### BACKGROUND:

According to Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS), there were 170,000 manufactured homes in Oregon in 2017; home to over 285,000 residents. Approximately 55 percent of the existing stock of mobile homes were built prior to 1980. The federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reports that manufactured homes that old often contain hazardous building materials, such as lead-based paints, pipe, and solder that were commonly used in interior and exterior building materials prior to 1978. Asbestos-containing materials are also found in roofing, siding, and flooring in manufactured homes built prior to the 1970s. Hazardous materials present safety and economic issues when deconstructing and recycling mobile homes. Labor is required for disassembly, hazardous materials require transportation for disposal at landfills, and there may be abatement costs.

House Bill 2895A establishes a grant program to fund deconstruction of manufactured homes.