HB 2075 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Agriculture and Land Use

Action Date: 03/26/19

Action: Do pass with amendments and be referred to

Ways and Means. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 5-0-2-0

Yeas: 5 - Boshart Davis, Helm, McLain, Smith DB, Williams

Exc: 2 - Clem, Post

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued **Revenue:** No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 1/29, 3/26

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes the Development Readiness Program (Program) within the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) to provide financial, technical, and other assistance to local governments for land use goals relating to housing and economic development. Specifies DLCD may directly assist local governments with land use goals by: increasing lands available for all types of housing, especially affordable housing; increasing lands available for industrial and commercial uses to promote state and regional economic development, especially for high growth industries; meeting public infrastructure needs; accessing state and other resources that support housing and economic development; analyzing housing and economic development land use resources; and updating comprehensive plans, land use regulations, zoning, urban growth boundaries, public facility plans, and maps. Authorizes DLCD to adopt rules related to Program priorities and assistance eligibility requirements. Establishes the Development Readiness Fund and Land Conservation and Development Fund to fund the Program. Appropriates \$1,358,375 to the Development Readiness Fund from the General Fund. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Supply of housing and jobs in communities statewide
- Readiness and availability of lands with urban growth boundaries for public and private investment
- Examples of the types of work investments would support
- Program selection criteria

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Changes appropriation from \$2.03 million to \$1,358,375. Eliminates requirement for the State Treasurer to transfer all Land Conservation and Development Account funds to the Land Conservation and Development Fund.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon's statewide land use goals are achieved through local comprehensive plans. All Oregon cities and counties are responsible for adopting local comprehensive plans, and for implementing zoning and land division ordinances to put the plan into effect. ORS 197.628 directs local governments to periodically revise their comprehensive plans, and directs the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) to review plans to ensure compliance with statewide goals. Currently, DLCD assists local governments by providing planning grants for technical assistance.

House Bill 2075 A would establish the Development Readiness Program within the DLCD to directly assist local governments with land use goals relating to housing and economic development, and appropriates \$1,358,375 for that purpose.