

SB 410 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
Senate Committee On Business and General Government

Carrier: Sen. Beyer

Action Date: 04/09/19
Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)
Vote: 5-0-0-0
Yeas: 5 - Dembrow, Girod, Hass, Olsen, Riley
Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued
Revenue: No revenue impact
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Meeting Dates: 3/26, 4/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Eliminates Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) regulation of recreational vehicle and recreational structure construction. Clarifies state building code and license exemptions for residential prefabricated structures to be delivered in another state. Clarifies electrical and plumbing license exemptions for construction of recreational vehicle. Creates substitute definitions for use in specified statutes. Makes conforming amendments. Maintains DCBS definition of recreational vehicle adopted in rule until repealed or amended by Director of Transportation. Clarifies that measure does not divest DCBS or local building inspection program of authority over violations committed prior to effective date.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Oregon's unique RV construction regulations and additional cost to manufacturers
- Industry support for removing unique state regulations
- Pending measures to resolve outstanding questions of titling and registration

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND:

Current statute requires the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) to regulate the construction of manufactured structures, which are defined as recreational vehicles (RVs), manufactured dwellings, and recreational structures. Manufacturers obtain certification by registering with DCBS and providing an approved quality control manual. Certified manufacturers may purchase insignias of compliance from the DCBS which are affixed to RVs intended for rent, lease, or sale in this state. RVs registered and titled in another state are not subject to the requirement to bear an insignia of compliance. Oregon is one of three states in the nation that regulate the construction of RVs.

Recreational structures are defined as campground structures for temporary use, including yurts and cabins. Manufactured dwellings are prefabricated structures regulated under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). DCBS regulates the construction of manufactured dwellings on behalf of HUD.

Senate Bill 410-A deregulates the construction of recreational vehicles and recreational structures. The measure creates a replacement definition of RV for the purposes of the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), and keeps the current definition adopted by DCBS in effect until repealed or replaced by ODOT.