

HB 2006 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Rules

Action Date: 04/29/19

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

Vote: 5-1-1-0

Yeas: 5 - Boles, Holvey, Nosse, Smith Warner, Williamson

Nays: 1 - Wilson

Exc: 1 - Sprenger

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 4/24, 4/29

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Housing and Community Services Department to award housing-related grants, including grants for no-charge legal services for low-income individuals. Appropriates \$17,000,000 to department, with \$2,000,000 directed to no-charge legal services. Authorizes Department of Justice to use Oregon Domestic and Sexual Violence Services Fund to assist victims with housing needs. Appropriates \$3,000,000 for deposit in fund for these purposes. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Supply of rental homes
- Fair Housing laws
- Housing needs of victims of domestic and sexual violence

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND:

Among other tasks, the Housing and Community Services Department is charged by statute with distributing grants for housing programs and for providing housing information, planning, educational services, and technical assistance. House Bill 2006 A directs the department to administer grants for housing-related educational services, training programs, and technological innovations, as well as non charge legal services for low-income individuals. The bill appropriates a total of \$17,000,000 for these purposes. In addition, the bill authorizes Department of Justice to use moneys in the Oregon Domestic and Sexual Violence Services Fund to assist victims of domestic violence and sexual assault with housing needs and appropriates \$3,000,000 for these purposes. House Bill 2006 A declares an emergency, effective on passage.