HB 3155 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services, Mental Health and Recovery

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires cities within a metropolitan service district and with a population greater than 10,000 to inventory the supply of buildable lands and conduct an analysis of housing needs to determine the number of units and amount of land needed for the next 20 years. Clarifies that the housing needs analysis must be conducted by a city within a metropolitan service district at least once every six years, and include considerations for housing affordability. Requires that housing needs analysis be adopted as part of a city's comprehensive plan no later than one year after the completion of the analysis, and requires a city to amend its comprehensive plan or land use regulations to support the development of needed housing over the next 20 years. Allows cities with a population of 10,000 or less to conduct an estimate of housing needs and develop a housing production strategy, subject to the requirements provided by this Act. Removes statutory requirement that Metro allocate housing capacity that is not accommodated by a locally adopted housing development strategy. Declares emergency, effective upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon's land use planning system is based on a set of 19 Statewide Land Use Goals that express the state's land use policies. Goal 10, "Housing," specifies that each city must plan for and accommodate needed housing types, including multifamily and manufactured housing. It requires each city to inventory its buildable residential lands, anticipate its future needs for such lands projected 20 years into the future, and plan and zone enough buildable land to meet those needs. Goal 10 prohibits local plans from discriminating against needed housing types.

In 2019, the Legislative Assembly passed House Bill 2003 to require each city with a population greater than 10,000 to conduct a housing needs analysis, and to develop and adopt a housing production strategy to address unmet housing needs. The measure also allocated funding to the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) to provide technical assistance to local governments for implementation.

House Bill 3155 A clarifies certain ambiguities created by previous legislation by requiring cities within a metropolitan service district and with a population greater than 10,000 to conduct an inventory of buildable lands and analyze their future housing supply needs every six years. (Cities with a population of 10,000 or less may also conduct a housing needs analysis and develop a production strategy to address housing supply needs.) The measure also requires cities to develop a housing production strategy and to amend their local plans and land use regulations to support the development of needed housing.