

HB 2522 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**Carrier:** Rep. Marsh**House Committee On Housing****Action Date:** 03/18/21**Action:** Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)**Vote:** 7-0-1-0**Yeas:** 7 - Campos, Fahey, Marsh, Meek, Morgan, Neron, Weber**Exc:** 1 - Zika**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact**Revenue:** Has minimal revenue impact**Prepared By:** Claire Adamsick, LPRO Analyst**Meeting Dates:** 2/18, 3/18**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Allows the Department of Transportation to provide optional titling of park model recreational vehicles (RVs) to include vehicles that were originally manufactured as park model RVs but no longer meet the definition of a park model RV and were first used as living quarters on or before January 1, 2021. Clarifies the department may not issue registration for a former park model RV, and in titling a park model RV, cannot be held liable for a vehicle's use for any purpose. Clarifies that provisions of this Act are operative on September 1, 2021, and allows department to take necessary action to exercise these statutory amendments. Declares emergency, effective upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Fix of 2019 legislation which complicated sale and titling of original park model RVs
- Measure addresses concerns regarding double taxation for RVs as real and personal property
- Testimony provided by Oregon Department of Transportation confirming ability to implement provisions of measure as amended

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND:

Tiny homes on wheels and park model recreational vehicles (RVs) are some of the terms applied to structures that are permanently attached to a wheeled chassis. Until recently, park model RVs were treated by the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) as recreational vehicles.

In 2019, the Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill 2333 to define a park model recreational vehicle in the state Vehicle Code, provided a process for the conversion of an RV to a structure, and allowed the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to issue titles for park model RVs. HB 2333 intended to reduce barriers for manufacturers and owners of park model RVs in obtaining a title and other certification, but some owners of older park model RVs have difficulty selling a park model RV that no longer meets the current statutory definition.

House Bill 2522 A allows the Department of Transportation to provide optional titling for a park model RV based on the characteristics of its original manufacturing, if the RV was first used as a living quarters on or before January 1, 2021. It clarifies that the department may not issue registration for a former park model RV, and in titling a park model RV, cannot be held liable for a vehicle's use for any purpose.