HB 3327 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Judiciary

Action Date: 04/13/21

Action: Do pass and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference

Vote: 10-0-0-0

Yeas: 10 - Bynum, Dexter, Helm, Kropf, Lewis, Morgan, Noble, Power, Wallan, Wilde

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued **Revenue:** Revenue impact issued **Prepared By:** Gillian Fischer, Counsel

Meeting Dates: 4/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Extends sunset for authorization to Oregon Department of Justice to assist victims of domestic violence and sexual assault with housing needs until January 2, 2024. Appropriates an additional \$5,000,000 out of the General Fund to the department to assist victims of domestic violence and sexual assault with housing needs. Directs the Department of Justice to provide a report to an appropriate interim committee of the Legislative Assembly on the expenditures of the department no later than September 15, 2022. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2021.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

• Provisions of measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2019, the Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill 2006 which authorized the Department of Justice to assist victims of domestic violence and sexual assault with housing needs, including through homelessness prevention, housing search assistance, tenant education, and funding for rent, utilities, moving costs, deposits, application fees or safe emergency housing. However, this section of the 2019 Act will be repealed January 2, 2022.

House Bill 3327 extends the authority of the Department of Justice to continue this assistance for victims until January 2024 and allocates an additional \$5,000,000 from the General Fund to the department for the continued assistance.