

Vote Yes on HB 3155A

HB 2003 (2019) makes technical fixes to ensure that cities within Metro complete Housing Needs Analyses, create Housing Production Strategies and allows DLCD to assist Oregon's smaller cities.

Problem statement:

One of the intended results of HB 2003 (2019) was to require cities with more than 10,000 people to prepare an updated Housing Needs Analysis every six years and adopt Housing Production Strategies to help address any need found. Unintentionally, the bill as written does not require cities within Metro to do any of these things.

Also, DLCD cannot assist cities under 10,000 people with Housing Needs Analyses and Housing Production Strategies. The amendment would make such cities eligible for state grants.

Proposed solution:

During the 2020 Regular Session, the Speaker's office, the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD), the League of Oregon Cities, Metro, City of Portland, City of Hillsboro, and other Portland metro area cities jointly developed a technical fix. Consensus language was finalized in the -11 amendments to HB 4015 and adopted by the House Committee on Rules. HB 3155A is intended to do the following:

- Direct cities within Metro to do a Housing Needs Analysis.
- Direct cities within Metro to adhere to the schedule that DLCD establishes requiring completion of a Housing Needs Analysis every 6 years.
- Direct cities within Metro to calculate their existing capacity and existing need re: units and land currently zoned for housing.
- Indicate that if the Housing Needs Analysis demonstrates a deficit between capacity and need, cities within Metro must craft a Housing Production Strategy within one year of their housing needs analysis.
- Clarify that cities within Metro *do not* amend their UGB as a response to a housing needs deficit.
- Allows DLCD to help smaller cities do Housing Needs Analyses and Housing Production Strategies.

This bill fixes issues with HB 2003. The intent of HB 2003 was to have Portland metro area cities participate in Housing Needs Analyses and subsequent Housing Production Strategies. HB 3155A simply clarifies that Metro cities are required to do so and makes smaller cities eligible for technical assistance funding.

