HB 2987 -2 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to study grants under the Healthy Homes Program. Directs OHA to submit report to interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to public health on or before September 15, 2024.

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact REVENUE: No revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Typical percentage of grant funding used for program administration
- Oregon Health Authority plans to implement measure provisions in rulemaking with involvement from community-based organizations

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-2 Replaces the measure. Allows Oregon Health Authority to adopt rulemaking regarding allowed administrative and program delivery costs as a percentage of total grant award for Healthy Homes Program grant recipients. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

BACKGROUND:

In 2021, the Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill 2842, which established the Healthy Homes Program within the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), for the purpose of awarding grants to eligible entities which provide financial assistance to low income households and communities disproportionately affected by environmental pollution or other hazards, and to landlords for the repair and rehabilitation of residential dwelling units. The measure established the Healthy Homes Repair Fund, and appropriated \$10 million in General Fund moneys for the 2021-2023 biennium to OHA to provide grants and cover administrative costs. The legislation limited grant program recipients to administrative and program delivery costs to no more than 15 percent of grant funds.

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