A-Engrossed
House Bill 3462
Ordered by the House April 7
Including House Amendments dated April 7
Sponsored by Representative HARTMAN; Representatives BOWMAN, CHAICHI, GAMBA, HELM, PHAM K, REYNOLDS, RUIZ

SUMMARY
The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor’s brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Requires Oregon Department of Emergency Management, during certain emergencies, to prioritize immediate provision of housing to displaced individuals.]

Provides that, if certain state agencies provide temporary housing to displaced individuals in response to emergency, agencies shall ensure housing is safe and provided in compliance with state and federal laws relating to discrimination.

Provides that, if federal housing resources are made available to affected community in response to emergency, certain state agencies may provide similar or equivalent resources to community members who are ineligible to receive federal resources due to immigration status, subject to availability of funds.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT
Relating to housing; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, “specified agency” means the Oregon Department of Emergency Management, the Housing and Community Services Department or the Department of Human Services.

(2) If a specified agency causes temporary housing to be provided to displaced individuals in response to an emergency, the specified agency shall ensure that such temporary housing is safe and that it is provided in compliance with state and federal laws relating to discrimination, including but not limited to laws relating to housing discrimination, public accommodation discrimination and discrimination in the provision of government programs and services. For purposes of this section, such temporary housing is considered to be a dwelling within the meaning of ORS 659A.421 and the Fair Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. 3602.

(3) If a specified agency administers the distribution of federal resources to an affected community in response to an emergency, and members of the community are ineligible for such resources for any reason, including immigration status, the specified agency may provide similar or equivalent resources to those community members, subject to the availability of funds in the budget of the specified agency.

SECTION 2. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in boldfaced type.

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