74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular SessionMEASURE:STAFF MEASURE SUMMARYCARRIER:Senate Committee on Business, Transportation, and Workforce Development

REVENUE: No revenue impact	
FISCAL: No fiscal impact	
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HB 3360

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Exempts tankless water heaters from boiler and pressure vessel laws.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- How a tankless water heater works
- Support from the Department of Consumer and Business Services' Building Codes Division
- Level of water pressure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: A tankless water heater heats water "on demand" as it is needed, eliminating the need for a storage tank. These water heaters are currently classified as boilers because they exceed the 200,000 BTU per hour heat input standard, although they do not store any water.

House Bill 3360 allows licensed plumbing contractors to install, alter and repair tankless water heaters by exempting the devices from current boiler and pressure vessel laws.