## 74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Education & General Government

MEASURE: CARRIER:

FISCAL: No fiscal impact	
Action:	Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure
Vote:	4 - 1 - 0
Yeas:	Kruse, Morse, Westlund, Walker
Nays:	Metsger
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	5/17

## **REVENUE:** No revenue impact

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Permits city to propose revised 20-year population forecast if it is within 10 years before city initiates evaluation or amendment of city's urban growth boundary and population forecast adopted by county governing body no longer provides 20-year population forecast. Permits city to propose 20-year population forecast if current forecast was adopted more than 10 years before city initiates evaluation or amendment of city's urban growth boundary. Authorizes city to adopt proposed forecasts if county takes no action within six months after receiving a written request if city provides notice to other local governments in the county and includes the adopted forecast in the comprehensive plan or a document included in the plan by reference. Specifies that properly adopted extended forecast satisfies statewide land use planning goal on urbanization to establish coordinated 20-year population forecast for urban area. Specifies that process for establishing population forecast is in addition to, and not in lieu of, process established in goal and rule by Land Conservation and Development Commission.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Current remedy if extended forecast is not completed
- Grants to counties for technical assistance
- Modification of city population projections
- Average cost of completing population forecast
- Currency generally of county forecasts

## EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** ORS 195.036 directs counties to coordinate population forecasts for the entire area within its boundary. These forecasts are necessary to determine the land supply needed inside the urban growth boundary and for other planning functions. Last fall, the Land Conservation and Development Commission adopted new administrative rules to streamline the process for local government population forecasts. Under the rules, cities and counties are allowed to extend previous county population forecasts for an urban area on a "straight line" basis to create an up-to-date 20-year forecast. Alternatively, local governments are authorized to base a new forecast on the trend in a forecast provided by the State Office of Economic Analysis.

HB 3436-A authorizes cities to propose and adopt a population forecast under certain circumstances and specifies the criteria for such forecasts.