House Bill 2742

Sponsored by Representative C EDWARDS (at the request of Estate of Mary Lynn Holm, Personal Representative Alan Contreras)

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 **as introduced**.

Prohibits refusal of residential water or electricity service to residence by reason of unpaid bill if residence is asset of estate and unpaid bill is obligation of estate. Requires notice to utility that claim for amount of unpaid bill may be made against estate.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to utilities.

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

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> Section 2 of this 2007 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 757.

5 <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) Any utility that provides residential water or electricity service may not

6 refuse to provide water or electricity to a residence by reason of an unpaid bill if:

(a) The residence is an asset of an estate for which a personal representative has been
appointed or an affidavit has been filed under ORS 114.505 to 114.560;

9 (b) The unpaid bill is an obligation of the estate; and

10 (c) The utility has received notice that the unpaid bill is an obligation of the estate and

11 that a claim for the amount of the unpaid bill may be made against the estate.

(2) This section applies to water or electricity service provided by public utilities, mu nicipal utilities, people's utility districts, cooperatives and associations.

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