

**A-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 251**

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**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.

Authorizes Governor to convene meeting of federal, state and local permitting authorities to streamline or expedite approval process for proposed land development that addresses significant regional priorities.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

Relating to review of land development proposals requiring multiple permits.

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

**SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

**(a) "Local permitting authority" means a local government, as defined in ORS 174.116, that has authority to issue a permit.**

**(b) "Permit" means:**

**(A) A discretionary approval of a proposed development of land under ORS 215.010 to 215.311, 215.317, 215.327, 215.402 to 215.438 and 215.700 to 215.780 or county legislation or regulation adopted pursuant thereto;**

**(B) A discretionary approval of a proposed development of land, under ORS 227.215 or city legislation or regulation; or**

**(C) A permit under ORS 196.600 to 196.905.**

**(c) "State permitting authority" means a state officer, board, commission, bureau or department in the executive branch of state government that has authority to issue a permit.**

**(2) When a land development proposal requires the issuance of two or more permits, at least one of which is a state permit or a local permit, and the Governor determines that the land development proposal addresses significant regional priorities, the Governor shall:**

**(a) Convene one or more meetings of representatives, as applicable, of state permitting authorities and local permitting authorities for the purpose of establishing a permit review plan and schedule designed to:**

**(A) Streamline or expedite the permit review process to ensure fast and efficient consideration of proposed land developments that address significant regional priorities;**

**(B) Improve communication between federal, state and local permitting authorities, and between a permit applicant and permitting authorities; and**

**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.

1       **(C) Improve the efficiency of the permitting process by reducing, to the extent practica-**  
2 **ble, duplication of effort and the occurrence of sequential permitting.**

3       **(b) Invite federal permitting authorities to attend and participate through one or more**  
4 **representatives.**

5       **(c) Direct state permitting authorities, and encourage federal permitting authorities and**  
6 **local permitting authorities, to coordinate their permitting activities, to the extent practi-**  
7 **cable, to streamline or expedite the permit review process.**

8       **(3) The Governor may convene a meeting under subsection (2) of this section of state**  
9 **permitting authorities and local permitting authorities, on the Governor's initiative or at the**  
10 **request of a state permitting authority or local permitting authority. If the Governor re-**  
11 **ceives a request under this subsection, the Governor shall consider the request and advise**  
12 **the requester whether the Governor will convene a meeting.**

13       **(4) Whenever the Governor convenes a meeting of state permitting authorities and local**  
14 **permitting authorities under subsection (2) of this section and requires the attendance and**  
15 **participation of a state permitting authority, a representative of the state permitting au-**  
16 **thority shall attend and participate.**

17       **(5) In cooperation with permitting authorities, the Governor shall report on or before**  
18 **January 31 of each odd-numbered year to the Legislative Assembly in the manner described**  
19 **in ORS 192.245 regarding land development proposals determined by the Governor to address**  
20 **significant regional priorities and the permitting activities addressed by convening the per-**  
21 **mitting authorities referred to in subsection (2) of this section.**

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