

**HB 2895 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**House Committee On Human Services and Housing**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Requires the Housing and Community Services Department (HCSD) to create a grant program to fund the decommission, and disposal of manufactured homes. Specifies criteria for grant program including eligibility for grant fund. Appropriates \$500,000 from the General Fund.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

In 2017, there were 170,000 manufactured homes in Oregon, which are home to over 285,000 residents (Oregon Housing and Community Services). Approximately 55 percent of the existing stock of mobile homes were build prior to 1980. According to the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), older manufactured homes (e.g., built pre-1980s) often contain hazardous building materials which present health hazards. Specifically, prior to 1978, lead-based paints, pipe, and solder were commonly used in interior and exterior building materials. Asbestos-containing materials are also found in roofing, siding, and flooring in manufactured homes built prior to 1970s.

Such hazardous materials present safety and economic issues when deconstructing and recycling mobile homes that include labor for disassembly, transportation, and abatements costs (e.g., sending and disposing hazardous materials at landfills). (Sources: EPA Report 2011.)

House Bill establishes a grant program to fund deconstruction of manufactured homes.