

SB 1046 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Rules

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Meeting Dates: 4/29

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Modifies public accommodation statutes to expressly provide general rule prohibiting discrimination against persons 18 years of age or older.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Declares emergency, effective on passage.

BACKGROUND:

In 2015, amendments to public accommodation statutes injected uncertainty into the law surrounding age-based discrimination. See sections 27 and 28, chapter 614, Oregon Laws 2015 (relating to marijuana; replacing phrase "18 years of age" with phrase "of age, as described in this section."). Senate Bill 1046 clarifies the general rule that the public accommodation statutes generally apply to discrimination based on age, when an individual is 18 years of age or older.