

House Bill 2610

Sponsored by Representative SMITH G (Presession filed.)

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**.

Requires Oregon Health Authority to establish program for periodic health inspection of hotel or inn guest facilities.

Requires hotel or inn to post most recent health inspection results. Makes failure to post results violation subject to civil penalty, not to exceed \$1,000.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to transient lodging health inspections.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2019 Act are added to and made a part of ORS 699.005**
5 **to 699.060.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall establish a program for the periodic**
7 **health inspection of hotel and inn guest facilities, including, but not limited to, guest sleeping**
8 **rooms and bathrooms. Inspections described in this section are in addition to any other state**
9 **or local government health or safety inspections authorized by law. In addition to health in-**
10 **spections conducted on a periodic basis, the authority may conduct a specially scheduled in-**
11 **spection of a hotel or inn if the authority has good cause to believe that the hotel or inn**
12 **guest facilities contain a substantial threat of serious harm to guest or visitor health.**

13 **(2) The authority shall adopt rules for health inspections under this section. The au-**
14 **thority shall design the rules to protect guests and visitors against hotel or inn conditions**
15 **posing a substantial threat to health. The rules must include, but need not be limited to, the**
16 **establishment of a scoring system, the establishment of a minimum passing score and the**
17 **adoption of standards that, at a minimum, address:**

18 **(a) Systems providing heating, cooling or ventilation;**

19 **(b) Toilets and handwashing facilities;**

20 **(c) Mold and mildew mitigation;**

21 **(d) Insect and rodent control; and**

22 **(e) Premises cleanliness.**

23 **(3) The authority shall provide each inspected hotel or inn with a copy of the inspection**
24 **report that notes any identified unhealthy conditions. The authority shall assign each in-**
25 **spected hotel or inn an inspection score based on the report. A hotel or inn shall post the**
26 **results of its most recent inspection as required by the authority. Upon request of a hotel**
27 **or inn and payment of a reinspection fee, the authority may conduct a reinspection of a hotel**
28 **or inn to determine whether unhealthy conditions have been alleviated and may issue a new**
29 **inspection report based on the reinspection.**

30 **(4) The authority may enter into intergovernmental agreements for local health agencies**

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 to administer and enforce the health inspection program on behalf of the authority within
2 the area served by the local health agency.

3 (5) The authority may assess reasonable inspection and reinspection fees under this sec-
4 tion.

5 **SECTION 3.** The Oregon Health Authority may assess a civil penalty, not to exceed
6 \$1,000, against a hotel or inn that fails to post the results of an inspection under section 2
7 of this 2019 Act as required by the authority. In the case of a continuing violation, each day
8 the hotel or inn continues to not post the inspection results as required is a separate vio-
9 lation.

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