

HB 3589 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Housing and Homelessness

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Restricts a classified and assessed historic property from use as a vacation occupancy unless it serves as a property's owner's primary residence.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The National Register of Historic Places Program is run by the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office within the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department. A tax incentive is available for up to 10 years to historic properties that have been formally listed on the National Register. The application and special assessment process are described in ORS 358.487.

Oregon Landlord and Tenant Law defines "vacation occupancy" as an occupancy that is less than 45 days in a unit that is not the occupant's principal residence. Short term rentals are not defined as such in Oregon law, though many Oregon cities and counties municipalities define a short term rental as a property or unit rented to a tenant for a period of 29 days or less, in alignment with the state's definition of transient lodging.

House Bill 3589 restricts a classified and assessed historic property from use as a vacation occupancy unless it serves as a property's owner's primary residence.