# SB 1529  -2    STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

## Senate Committee On Housing and Development

| | |
|---|---|
| **Prepared By:** | Kevin Rancik, LPRO Analyst |
| **Sub-Referral To:** | Joint Committee On Ways and Means |
| **Meeting Dates:** | 2/13 |

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

The measure is a placeholder bill requiring Oregon Housing and Community Services to study housing and to submit a report to relevant Legislative committees.

Detailed Summary:

Requires Oregon Housing and Community Services to study housing, and submit a report to relevant Legislative committees on or before September 15, 2025.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-2  The amendment allows the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to distribute specified cooling devices in anticipation of emergencies, and it allows Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) to change the maximum reimbursement amount of the Housing Choice Guarantee Program through rule.

*REVENUE:*         *No revenue impact*
*FISCAL:*            *Fiscal impact statement issued for referral purposes*

Detailed Summary:

Allows the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to acquire and distribute specified cooling devices to eligible recipients in anticipation of emergencies as part of the Air Conditioner and Air Filter Deployment Program; requires OHA to provide reimbursement to eligible distribution entities; and specifies that individuals in the Cover All People program established in ORS 414.231 are eligible recipients of these devices.

Allows Oregon Housing and Community Services to establish, by rule, a maximum reimbursement amount to landlords for the Housing Choice Guarantee Program larger than that specified in statute.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**BACKGROUND:**

The mission of Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) is to provide stable, affordable housing and engage leaders in developing a statewide policy addressing poverty and providing opportunity for Oregonians. The agency is Oregon's housing finance agency, providing financial and programmatic support for affordable housing, and it administers programs providing housing stabilization.