

HB 2680 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Labor and Business

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires that a public agency that provides public funds to install, repair, or remodel a fenestration product or system in a public building that a public agency constructs, remodels, or repairs and owns or leases on a public works project of \$25 million or more for new construction and \$5 million or more for remodel work, to require the following: the contractor must have all licenses and insurance required in Oregon and have a national certification as a glazing contractor, and at least one of the workers or technicians must have a national certification as an architectural glass and metal technician, operative July 1, 2027. The measure also requires the contractor, operative July 1, 2028, to demonstrate that 25 percent of the contractor's employees have a national certification as an architectural glass and metal technician. The measure defines fenestration product or system, national certification, public agency, and public funds. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Has minimal fiscal impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Glazing is the action, process, or trade of fitting windows with glass.

North American Contractor Certification (NACC) establishes a baseline for competency, business practices, and industry-accepted guidelines for glazing contractors. The NACC program recognizes glazing contractors that consistently demonstrate quality and safety excellence. The program offers an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) National Accreditation Board (ANAB)-accredited third-party endorsement of companies having completed a significant and time-intensive evaluation process, establishing a baseline for competency, business practices, and industry accepted-guidelines. By assessing all aspects of a glazing contractor's business, the certification process benchmarks the means and methods that drive high performance and high quality across the industry.

The Architectural Glass & Metal Technician (AGMT) Certification program is a personnel certification featuring an independent, third-party assessment of an experienced glazing installer's knowledge, skills, and abilities through written and hands-on assessments. Because products, systems, and procedures are ever-changing, in order to maintain the AGMT credential, certified technicians must renew certification every four years.

House Bill 2680 A requires a contractor, as a condition of receiving public funds to install, repair, or remodel a fenestration product or system in a public building, to have a national certification as a glazing contractor.