#### HB 2680 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

# **House Committee On Commerce and Consumer Protection**

**Action Date:** 04/08/25

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

**Vote:** 9-0-1-0

Yeas: 9 - Chaichi, Chotzen, Gomberg, Neron, Osborne, Reschke, Sosa, Wallan, Walters

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Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/25, 4/8

### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires that a public agency using public funds to install, repair, or remodel a fenestration product or system, performed on a public works project over \$25 million 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, effective July 1,2027, and at least one of the workers must have a national certification as an architectural glass and metal technician. The measure also requires the contractor, effective 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. The measure takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- The training program for glazers
- The timeline for the implementation of the measure

### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

The amendment excludes a premanufactured window or skylight from the meaning of fenestration product or system. The amendment defines public building. The amendment increases the applicable project size to over \$25 million for new construction and \$5 million or more for remodel work and excludes routine maintenance. The amendment changes the operative date from July 1, 2026, to July 1, 2027, for the requirement that at least one of the workers has a national certification as an architectural glass and metal technician, and it makes that requirement operative from July 1, 2027, to June 30, 2028. The amendment changes the operative date from July 1, 2027, to July 1, 2028, for the requirement that the contractor must demonstrate that at least 25 percent of the contractor's employees has a national certification as an architectural glass and metal technician. The amendment removes the requirement that by July 1, 2028, the contractor must demonstrate that 50 percent of the contractor's employees have a national certification as an architectural glass and metal technician.

## **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

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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.