



SB 49 - League of Oregon Cities is neutral on SB 49 A Engrossed.

We appreciate the work of Senator Pham and the advocates to narrow the scope of the bill and reduce unintended consequences. We look forward to continued conversations over the interim on some of the original provisions of the bill.

Adding two seats to the Building Codes Board allows for a greater diversity of voices and expertise to serve, allow Oregon to develop better commercial building codes to serve Oregonians living in multi-family rental housing. Cities are the implementers on the ground of our building codes, our permit counters process applications for developments, analyze whether they meet code, and then provide the inspection to ensure that the codes have been met. We hope more voices will create a more cohesive, comprehensive, and safe state building code for multi-family buildings.

Once again we appreciate the work of Senator Pahm, her staff, and the advocates to narrow the scope of this bill and address cities' concerns.

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