Legislative Update

April 11, 2019

Below are bills of potential interest to the OCPDA Board, with a brief status update and links to relevant information. This list is not intended to be a comprehensive summary of the legislative session. Summaries are drafted by Erin Doyle – except for the summary of SB 608 – but more information and the text of bills and amendments can be found on the Oregon legislative information system (<https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1>).

[HB 2001](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2001)

Summary

As amended the bill does the following things:

* Requires all cities in Metro with populations greater than 1,000 and all cities with populations greater than 25,000 to allow every lot in a single-family residential zone to allow for a duplex, triplex, quadplex, cottage cluster or townhomes (all of which are defined as “middle housing”), subject to design standards, by June 30, 2022
* Requires cities outside the Metro region with a population between 10,000 and 24,999 to allow for duplexes on all lots in a residential zone that allows for single-family residences, by June 30, 2021
* Allows for a delay for areas of town that do not have sufficient capacity in water, sewer, storm drainage or transportation until such time a plan is in place and executed to fix the capacity concerns
* Requires the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) to create a model code for missing middle in single-family residential zones that will be instituted in cities that fail to adopt local codes
* Changes the method for calculating the building capacity of residential lands moving forward to limit the expected redevelopment rate and remove
* Requires Building Codes Division to create a uniform process by which a city or county building official can allow for an alternative path to conversion of a single family residence into a duplex, triplex, or quadplex
* Requires cities to consider of a variety of incentives to increase development of middle housing
* Clarifies that this up-zoning does not require a comprehensive plan update and cannot trigger an update to a transportation system plan; and
* Provides $3 million in technical assistance funds to support local efforts.

Status

Passed out of the House Human Services and Housing Committee unanimously with the -11 amendment on April 8. Moved to Joint Ways and Means.

[HB 2003](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2003)

Summary

This bill is focused on creating more data related to housing and creating a regular schedule for cities to review housing strategies. It does the following:

* Requires the state to complete and report on creating a methodology for regional housing analysis across the state.
* Requires cities with populations greater than 10,000 to create a housing production strategy on a regular schedule – every six years for cities within Metro and every eight years for cities outside Metro. Cities that fail to enact these strategies could be subject to an enforcement order by DLCD
* Requires Metro to “allocate” housing capacity to cities with populations greater than 10,000 within its boundary.
* Provides $1.5 million in technical assistance for the first biennium to meet this new requirement.

Status

Passed out of the House Agriculture and Land Use Committee unanimously with the -6 amendments on April 4. Moved to Joint Ways and Means.

[HB 2055](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2055) & [HB 2056](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2056)

Summary

These bills, in combination, create a new program called the “Greater Oregon Housing Accelerator.” The purpose of the program is to provide funding for housing development projects that are focused on affordability for middle income/workforce buyers. There would need to be a number of partners including a developer, the city, and a local employer for a project to qualify for the funds. This is an extension of the pilot project the Regional Solutions team completed in 2018 and would provide $15 million for the first biennium.

Status

Passed out of the House Human Services and Housing Committee on March 18. Moved to Joint Ways & Mean.

[HB 2075](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2075)

Summary

HB 2075 establishes the Development Readiness Program in DLCD to provide financial, technical, and other assistance to local governments for land use goals relating to housing and economic development. It would allow DLCD to directly assist local governments with land use goals by: increasing lands available for all types of housing, especially affordable housing; increasing lands available for industrial and commercial uses to promote state and regional economic development, especially for high growth industries; meeting public infrastructure needs; accessing state and other resources that support housing and economic development; analyzing housing and economic development land use resources; and updating comprehensive plans, land use regulations, zoning, urban growth boundaries, public facility plans, and maps.

Status

Passed the House Agriculture and Land Use Committee on March 26 with the -2 amendment. Moved to Joint Ways and Means.

[HB 2109](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2109)

Summary

In cities with requirements to vote on annexations, the vote on annexation of an island that is 100 acres or more will require a majority of votes of support in the city and within the island.

Status

Passed the House floor on a vote of 52-6 on April 10. Moves to the Senate for further consideration

[HB 2228](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2228)

Summary

Establishes Local Government Technical Assistance Program within Housing and Community Services Department which will contract with LOC and the Association of Oregon Counties (AOC) to hire regional staff to assist local governments with housing projects ranging from preparing housing strategies to working to development readiness to facilitating stakeholders to create better housing outcomes across the state.

Status

Passed the House Human Services and Housing Committee on March 20 with the -2 amendment. Moved to Joint Ways and Means

[HB 2306](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2306)

Summary

Requires city or county to issue residential building permits upon substantial completion of construction of public improvements in residential subdivisions.

Status

Passed the House floor unanimously on April 3 with a promise that more amendments are necessary. Moved to Senate Housing Committee and scheduled for a public hearing and work session on April 22.

[HB 2560](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2560)

Summary

Directs Department of Land Conservation and Development to study methods to mitigate impacts of technology towers on aesthetics.

Status

Passed out of House Agriculture and Land Use Committee on April 9. Moved to Joint Ways and Means.

[HB 2577](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2577)

Summary

Codifies a LUBA decision that requires a three-year waiting period for annexation of property that is zoned to allow residential use as permitted use in zone and is in residential use when annexation is initiated. Allows for property owner to opt to come in sooner and that if the property is transferred it comes into the city immediately

Status

Scheduled for vote on House floor on April 11.

[HB 2916](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/HB2916)

Summary

Expands the types of structures that can be used within a transitional housing site from yurts to include cabins, huts, and tents. Allows a local government to opt to create more than two parcels that are used for transitional housing sites.

Status

Passed the House floor with the -3 amendment on a 54-2 vote. Moved to the Senate Committee on Housing and is scheduled for a public hearing and work session on April 22.

[SB 10](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/SB10)

Summary

Establishes permissible density requirements within urban growth boundaries of cities within metropolitan service district or with population more than 10,000 for areas adjacent to transportation corridors and zoned to allow residential development.

Status

Moved from the Senate Housing Committee without recommendation on April 1. Moved to Senate Rules Committee.

[SB 92](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/SB92)

Summary

Authorizes city to provide for as much as 20-year ramp-up to full taxation rate for property in annexed territory. Adds, for purposes of "island annexation," corporate boundaries of another city as permitted portion of boundary surrounding territory to be annexed.

Status

Passed the Senate floor on a 29-1 vote on April 10. Moved to House, but not committee assigned yet.

[SB 534](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/SB534)

Summary

Requires a city over 25,000 to allow for a single-family dwelling on a lot zoned for such a use, even the lot is a historically platted lot that was developed as part of a combination of lots. Provides specific reasons that a lot might not be developed and allows siting and design standards to apply.

Status

Passed Senate Housing Committee with the -2 amendment on April 8. Moved to Senate floor for a vote of the full Senate.

[SB 608](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/SB608)

Summary

Prohibits landlord from terminating month-to-month tenancy without cause after 12 months of occupancy. Provides exception for certain tenancies on building or lot used by landlord as residence. Allows landlord to terminate tenancy with 90 days' written notice and payment of one month's rent under certain conditions. Exempts landlord managing four or fewer units from payment of one month's rent. Provides that fixed term tenancy becomes month-to-month tenancy upon ending date if not renewed or terminated. Allows landlord to not renew fixed term tenancy if tenant receives three lease violation warnings within 12 months during term and landlord gives 90 days' notice. Limits rent increases for residential tenancies to one per year. Limits maximum annual rent increase to seven percent above annual change in consumer price index. Requires Oregon Department of Administrative Services to publish maximum annual rent increase percentage. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

Status

Signed by Governor on February 28, 2019. Bill is now in effect.

[SB 927](https://olis.leg.state.or.us/liz/2019R1/Measures/Overview/SB927)

Summary

Allows local governments to develop historic resource program to designate resources for protection. Removes requirement for owner consent to designate resources. Establishes minimum components for program. Requires additional action by local government to designate resources designated on National Register of Historic Places on or after effective date of Act. Requires that existing protections be maintained. Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Land Conservation and Development Commission to provide grants or technical assistance to local governments in developing and implementing program.

Status

Passed out of Senate Natural Resources Committee without recommendation on a 3-2 vote. Moved to Senate Rules.