

2021 Housing and Land Use LEGISLATIVE WATCH LIST

HOUSING AND LAND USE

In addition to supporting increased investments for affordable housing, homeless assistance, and related services, the LOC will track and provide technical feedback on housing, land use and development legislation.

Expedited Shelter Siting

Waives all local siting and zoning regulations and the land use appeals process, for approving the siting of emergency shelters for a one-year period. Includes funding for specific local governments to create navigation centers.

Homelessness and Public Space

Requires local ordinances that regulate the acts of sitting, lying, sleeping or keeping warm and dry on outdoor property open to the public include reasonable time, place and manner limitations on enforcement of the regulations as applied to persons experiencing homelessness. Includes liability protection for public bodies.

HB 2100 – Modernizing Oregon's Housing Stabilization Funding System

Updates state statute guiding federal and state emergency housing funding to increase availability of culturally responsive services and increase coordination with local homeless response systems and planning efforts. Adds local governments to the list of entities who advise the Oregon Housing and Community Services Department on policy framework and programs.

SB 458/HB 2283 – Middle Housing Land Division

Allows land division to separate dwelling units for new middle housing allowed in cities.

HB 2488 – Climate Justice Update

Requires Land Conservation and Development Commission to make changes to statewide land use planning goals by December 31, 2026, to address climate justice by addressing climate change adaptation and mitigation and environmental justice for disadvantaged communities. Requires Commission to adopt interim climate justice standards on or before July 1, 2021 for local government's use until meeting compliance with goal changes.

HB 2556 – Land Use Notice Delivery Expansion

Expands required delivery of certain land use notices to property owners and to properties from 100 feet to 600 feet of subject property within an urban growth boundary and from 250 feet to 2,640 feet of subject property outside and urban growth boundary.

League of Oregon Cities

Representing Oregon's 241 incorporated cities.

HB 2558 – Housing Density Near Transit

Requires local governments to allow certain residential development within one-eighth mile of fixed guideway corridor stops. Requires local governments to incorporate new requirements into future comprehensive plan updates.

HB 2918 - Surplus Land Inventory for Affordable Housing

Requires state agencies, transportation districts and mass transit districts to annually prepare and submit a survey of surplus real property to the Department of Land Conservation and Development.

WETLANDS

HB 2218 – Wetlands Regulation and Economic Development

Directs Department of State Lands to study impact of laws related to wetlands on economic development and to provide results of study in report to interim committees of Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2022.

HB 2245 – Removal-fill Penalties

Prohibits Department of State Lands from imposing civil penalty for violation of removal-fill laws in wetland if wetland was not listed on wetlands inventory and person committing violation did not have actual knowledge that site was wetland.

HB 2246 - Removal-fill Violations

Prohibits Director of Department of State Lands from requiring enhancement of wetlands to correct violation of removal-fill law.

ANNEXATION

HB 2287 – Annexation Elections

Double-majority elections for island annexation.

HB 2288 – Annexation Consent

Limits city ability to require annexation consent in exchange for providing services.



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