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# City of Salem

Bill Name	Position	Priority
HB 2359 INTRO	Oppose	1

Relating to county property tax administration; prescribing an effective date.

Requires county at higher risk of financial distress to withhold from taxing districts costs to county of assessing property and collecting property taxes.

2/26/2019 - HB 2359 authorizes counties in financial distress to withhold taxes from taxing districts, including municipalities. The latest County Financial Condition Report (2016) included Polk County on the list of counties to monitor.

HB 2414 Oppose INTRO

Relating to projects that constitute public works projects; prescribing an effective date.

Adds to definition of "public works" project to build or repair ship that public agency owns or for which using funds of public agency serves public interest, maintenance of building that public agency owns or occupies and fabricating or manufacturing custom item under contract and specifically for use in public works.

1/30/2019 - Purpose: Expands prevailing wage requirements to include maintenance for buildings that a public agency owns or occupies. The bill also expands prevailing wage rate requirements to the fabricating or manufacturing of custom items to be used on public works projects.

Potential Impacts: The term "maintenance" is not defined in the bill. Depending on how it is interpreted, the bill could significantly escalate costs on relatively small "maintenance" projects on City buildings and facilities.

SB 652 Oppose INTRO

Relating to transportation.

Modifies laws related to transportation projects.

2/22/2019 - SB 652 prohibits the Oregon Transportation Commission from considering the Center Street Bridge seismic retrofit (Highway 22) in the City of Salem until all other priority transportation projects have been funded.

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HB 2055 Support 2

INTRO

Relating to workforce housing.

Establishes Workforce Housing Accelerator Program within Housing and Community Services Department.

3/4/2019 - House Bill 2055 would create a Greater Oregon Housing Accelerator Program to assist local governments with housing projects to serve middle income residents.

HB 2056 Support 2 INTRO

Relating to the Housing Development and Guarantee Account.

Establishes Housing Development Grant Program.

3/4/2019 - HB 2056 would expand the use of the Housing Development Grant Program for rental or home ownership to moderate income participants, from low and very low income participants. The Bill also stops Oregon Housing and Community Services from lending grant account funds, and separates the grant and guarantee accounts

HB 2130 Support 2 INTRO

Relating to sunsets for certain ad valorem property tax relief programs; prescribing an effective date.

Creates and extends sunsets for certain property tax exemption and special assessment programs.

3/4/2019 - HB 2130, HB 2700 and SB 737 pertain to extending sunset of tax incentives for affordable housing.



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HB 2208 INTRO	Support	2

Relating to seismic improvements to buildings; prescribing an effective date.

Establishes Oregon Business Development Department program to issue grants for improving seismic safety, stability and resiliency of qualifying unreinforced masonry and unreinforced concrete buildings.

2/1/2019 - HB 2208: Establishment of a statewide program which would be administered by Business Oregon to provide grant funding for seismic upgrades to buildings which meet set criteria. Bill Review - Sara Long

HB 2228 Support :

Relating to housing technical assistance for local governments.

Establishes Local Government Technical Assistance Program within Housing and Community Services Department.

3/4/2019 - House Bill 2228 would allocate funds to further a program of technical assistance from regional housing and community development staff in providing needed housing. The State would establish a housing technical assistance program for local governments. Assistance would range from helping prepare zoning code amendments to coordinating with community development partners to build housing. This could benefit the City as it works to address Salem's housing needs.

HB 2237 Support 2

Relating to tax credits for housing agricultural workers; prescribing an effective date.

Creates income tax credit for operation costs of housing for agricultural workers.

3/4/2019 - House Bill 2237, Senate Bill 114 and Senate Bill 202 pertain to expanding incentives for farmworker housing.

HB 2256 Support 2

Relating to housing affordability; declaring an emergency.

Creates Oregon Housing Crisis Task Force.

3/4/2019 - HB 2256 creates Oregon Housing Crisis Task Force which would develop recommendations on housing affordability before the end of 2020.

HB 2336 A Support 2

Relating to affordable housing pilot program.

Removing population requirement for affordable housing pilot program if no qualifying nomination is received for city with population under 25,000.

3/4/2019 - House Bill 2336 and SB 564 would allow more cities to access grants from an affordable housing pilot program. HB 2336 expands the program to cities greater than 25,000 in population, when there is no applicant of that size. SB 564 expands the use of the program to cities of up to 35,000 in population.

HB 2374 Support 2 INTRO

Relating to tax incentives for affordable housing; prescribing an effective date.

Allows credit against net income taxes for portion of eligible costs of newly constructed single-family dwelling that sells for price affordable to household with annual income at or below 120 percent of area median income.

2/19/2019 - HB 2374 Allows credit against net income taxes for portion of eligible costs of newly constructed single-family dwelling that sells for price affordable to household with annual income at or below 120 percent of area median income. Tax credit allowed to all taxpayers in any tax year may not exceed \$10 million.

HB 2449 Support 2 INTRO

Relating to tax for emergency communications; providing for revenue raising that requires approval by a three-fifths majority. Increases rate of tax for emergency communications.



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2/26/2019 - HB 2449 increases 9-1-1 tax for \$0.75 to \$1.50. Under this proposal, Salem could see an additional \$200,000 in revenue to cover more of the cost for 9-1-1 services. Current receipts cover approximately 18% of Salem's cost. Increasing cost recovery through the 9-1-1 tax increase is supported by Salem, with amendments to insure Salem receives its fair share. As introduced, there is a provision in HB 2449 to increase the distribution of tax receipts to counties with less than 40,000 in population. This provision would reduce Salem's share of the 9-1-1 tax increase, and continue to limit Salem's ability to recover cost of 9-1-1 service.

HB 2530

Support

2

**INTRO** 

Relating to housing for veterans; declaring an emergency.

Establishes Task Force on Innovative Housing Strategies for Veterans.

3/4/2019 - House Bill 2530 would establish a task force surrounding veterans and Housing strategies. Task force to deliver strategies to legislative bodies by September 2020. Sunsets end of 2020.

HB 2614

Oppose

**INTRO** 

Relating to driving privileges; prescribing an effective date.

Repeals driving privilege suspension and eliminates imposition of driving privilege restrictions for failure to pay fine.

2/16/2019 - Would eliminate the Salem Municipal Court's ability to suspend or restrict driving privileges for failure to pay a fine imposed on a traffic offense, or comply with any condition upon which suspension of payment of the fine, in whole or part, was conditioned. Suspension for failure to comply is a vital tool to Courts to ensure that there is fair and meaningful enforcement of traffic laws passed by the legislature, and to bring people back into compliance with the Court's orders. The Bill will reduce compliance tools and options for the Court, and will have a substantial financial impact on the Court.

HB 2700 **INTRO** 

Support

Relating to property tax exemption for multiple-unit housing; prescribing an effective date.

Extends sunset for property tax exemption for multiple-unit housing.

HB 2727 **INTRO** 

Support

Relating to capital gains treatment of affordable housing property; prescribing an effective date.

Allows subtraction from federal taxable income of gain from sale of opportunity zone property, defined as property in low-income census tract developed for affordable housing and held for stated period of time.

3/4/2019 - House Bill 2727 offers tax dedications from capital gains by meeting housing affordability goals within opportunity zones.

HB 2894

Support

2

**INTRO** Relating to manufactured dwellings; prescribing an effective date.

Establishes program within Housing and Community Services Department to provide supplementary loans to individuals for new energy efficient manufactured dwellings.

2/19/2019 - HB 2894 establishes program within Housing and Community Services Department to provide supplementary loans to individuals for new energy efficient manufactured dwellings.

HB 2896 **INTRO** 

Support

2

Relating to manufactured dwellings; prescribing an effective date.

Requires Housing and Community Services Department to provide loan to nonprofit corporation to develop program that supports manufactured dwelling park preservation and affordability for tenants.

2/19/2019 - HB 2896 requires the State of Oregon's Housing and Community Services Department to provide loans to nonprofit corporations to develop program that supports manufactured dwelling park preservation and affordability for



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tenants. Forgives loan in proportion to program's losses. Participating nonprofit corporations must submit semiannual report.

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HB 2962 INTRO 2

Relating to homeless shelters.

Directs Housing and Community Services Department to conduct study to estimate amount of additional homeless shelter capacity necessary in each county and cost of building or acquiring such capacity.

2/19/2019 - HB 2962 directs Housing and Community Services Department to conduct study to estimate amount of additional homeless shelter capacity necessary in each county and cost of building or acquiring such capacity.

HB 3067 INTRO Support

2

Relating to distribution of marijuana tax revenues to local governments; prescribing an effective date.

Provides for cities and counties to certify annually that city or county has not adopted ordinance prohibiting establishment requiring marijuana-related business license and is therefore eligible for distribution of Oregon Marijuana Account moneys.

2/28/2019 - HB 3067 would align the marijuana State shared revenue certification with the other State shared revenues that the City receives.

HB 5005 INTRO

Support

2

Relating to state financial administration; declaring an emergency.

Establishes amounts authorized for issuance of general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, certificates of participation and other financing agreements for biennium.

3/4/2019 - House Bill 5005 and House Bill 5006 Further funding of the Local Innovation and Fast Track (LIFT) bonds to increase low-income housing across the state through general obligation bond authorization (HB 5005) and agency expenditure limitation (HB 5006)

HB 5006 INTRO Support

2

Relating to state financial administration; declaring an emergency.

Limits for six-year period beginning July 1, 2019, payment of expenses from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by various state agencies for capital construction.

3/4/2019 - House Bill 5006 and House Bill 5005 Further funding of the Local Innovation and Fast Track (LIFT) bonds to increase low-income housing across the state through general obligation bond authorization (HB 5005) and agency expenditure limitation (HB 5006)

HB 5030 INTRO Support

2

Relating to lottery bonds; declaring an emergency.

Increases amount of lottery bonds authorized to be issued for Oregon Business Development Department and Housing and Community Services Department.

3/4/2019 - House Bill 5030 provides for financial assistance to aid in acquisition, renovation or maintenance of Section 8 housing or other housing with federal rent subsidies (at least \$25 million) and preserves affordable housing through a new Housing Acquisition Fund at Oregon Housing and Community Services (at least \$15 million).

SB 114 INTRO Support

2

Relating to tax credits for housing agricultural workers; prescribing an effective date.

Creates income tax credit for operation costs of housing for agricultural workers.

3/4/2019 - Senate Bill 114, House Bill 2237 and Senate Bill 202 pertain to expanding incentives for farmworker housing.



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SB 202 Support 2

**INTRO** 

Relating to tax credits for agriculture workforce housing.

Extends sunset for tax credits for owner or operator of agriculture workforce housing.

3/4/2019 - Senate Bill 202, House Bill 2237 and Senate Bill 114 pertain to expanding incentives for farmworker housing.

SB 564 Support

INTRO

Relating to affordable housing pilot program; declaring an emergency.

Adjusts affordable housing pilot program qualifications to allow one project in city with population over 35,000 and one in city with population of 35,000 or less.

3/4/2019 - HB 2336 and Senate Bill 564 would allow more cities to access grants from an affordable housing pilot program. HB 2336 expands the program to cities greater than 25,000 in population, when there is no applicant of that size. SB 564 expands the use of the program to cities of up to 35,000 in population.

SB 595 Support 2

Relating to local transient lodging taxes; prescribing an effective date.

Adjusts allocation percentages of net revenue from new or increased local transient lodging tax to allow up to 30 percent of such revenue to be used to fund affordable workforce housing.

2/12/2019 - SB 595 would allow additional flexibility for up to 30% of Transient Occupancy Tax to be used to fund affordable workforce housing .

SB 737 Support 2

Relating to tax exemptions for affordable housing; prescribing an effective date.

Extends sunset for property tax exemption for low income rental housing.

2/19/2019 - SB 737 extends sunset for property tax exemption for low income rental housing from 2020 to 2030.

SB 776 Oppose 2 INTRO

Relating to driving privileges.

Eliminates driving suspension for failure to appear on citation for traffic offense.

2/16/2019 - Would eliminate the Salem Municipal Court's ability to suspend or restrict driving privileges for failure to pay a fine imposed on a traffic offense, or comply with any condition upon which suspension of payment of the fine, in whole or part, was conditioned, as well as for failure to appear on the case. Suspension for failure to comply or failure to appear is a vital tool to Courts to ensure that there is fair and meaningful enforcement of traffic laws passed by the legislature, and to bring people back into compliance with the Court's orders. The Bill will reduce compliance tools and options for the Court, and will have a substantial financial impact on the Court.

SB 5512 Support 2 INTRO

Relating to the financial administration of the Housing and Community Services Department; declaring an emergency.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Housing and Community Services Department for biennial expenses and for debt service.

3/4/2019 - Senate Bill 5512 would create a Greater Oregon Housing Accelerator Program to assist local governments with housing projects to serve middle income residents.