

## **Bill Report: City Council** Report Date: April 11, 2025

## City of Salem

Bill Number Position HB 2467

**INTRO** 

Support

Relating to mental illness.

Defines "dangerous to self," "dangerous to others" and "serious physical harm" for the purpose of involuntarily committing a person with mental illness.

4/3/2025 - The Housing Authorities have taken on the higher acuity projects. This brings about challenges that are not typical of a landlord. Housing providers do not have the tools and resources to support individuals who pose a serious risk to themselves or others. This bill seeks to clarify language around "danger to self" and "danger to others". Current statute does not define this. It also creates separate definitions between harm of self and harm of others. It defines serious physical harm as it pertains to danger to self and to basic personal needs to better protect from unintended outcomes. In our case, a return to homelessness,

HB 3453 Support **INTRO** 

Relating to commuter rail; prescribing an effective date.

Creates the Westside Express Service Authority.

2/9/2025 - HB 3453 would establish Westside Express Service Authority to take over operation of Westside Express Service from Tri-met. Directs the Authority to study and support extending the service from Wilsonville to Salem.

**HB 3634** Support **INTRO** 

Relating to the water workforce; declaring an emergency.

Establishes the Water Workforce Program in the Higher Education Coordinating Commission to support workforce development initiatives within the water workforce.

4/8/2025 - This would be beneficial for the COS. It would be even better if the grant funding was available to employers for on the job training (OJT)We currently use OJT a lot for these positions it can be costly to an employer.

3/10/2025 - HB 3634 establishes the Water Workforce Program in the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to make grants for workforce development initiatives for the water and wastewater utilities sector. The bill appropriates \$5.5 million to HECC for distribution to local workforce development boards, and requires those boards to administer the program to achieve specified purposes. In addition, the bill requires HECC and any grant fund recipients to enter into an agreement indicating the purposes of the funds, and outlines reporting requirements.

HB 3794 Support **INTRO** 

Relating to municipal solid waste; prescribing an effective date.

Establishes the Task Force on Municipal Solid Waste in the Willamette Valley.

4/7/2025 - HB 3794 establishes the 12-member Task Force on Municipal Solid Waste in the Willamette Valley (Task Force). It requires the Task Force to study and identify solutions for solid waste disposal in the Willamette Valley and review the findings and recommendations of the Regional Sustainable Materials Management Plan Task Force convened by Benton County.

SB 1067 Oppose **INTRO** 

Relating to solid waste in Marion County.

Authorizes a city within Marion County to control or direct the disposal, transfer or material or energy recovery of solid waste generated within the city.

4/7/2025 - Authorizes a city within Marion County to control or direct the disposal, transfer or material or energy recovery of solid waste generated within the city.

- Local control of solid waste, but Salem would not likely exercise their authority. Concerns:
- Marion County flow control provides funding and allows county to develop necessary regional infrastructure to manage solid waste.



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• City benefits by Marion County managing solid waste regionally (Earthwise Business network, community outreach and education, coordination of RMA requirements)

• Future solid waste management will likely see more need for county-wide flow control (ReHub – Polk)