

Summary of Legislative Concepts
Senate Committee on Rural Communities and Economic Development
December 8, 2014

LC 919 -- Allows rural county with no population growth, and other local governments in the county, to adopt comprehensive land use plan without complying with statewide land use planning goals.

LC 1340 -- Repeals sunset of law requiring moneys that are in a county's road fund and expended for patrolling to be used solely for direct and indirect costs associated with patrolling.

LC 1388 -- Resolves certain contradictory provisions applicable to duties of county clerk. Eliminates biannual duty of county to examine financial books and papers of county clerk, clerk of county court, treasurer and sheriff. Requires purchaser to record sheriff's certificate of execution sale in County Clerk Lien Record.

LC 1445 -- Clarifies that county clerk may use elector's registration record, rather than physical registration card, to authenticate signatures. Permits elections official to deliver form updating information on members of district boards by method other than certified mail.

LC 1447 -- Establishes procedures for electing precinct committee persons. Requires one committee person for every 250 electors, rather than for every 500 electors, who are registered in precinct. Provides that write-in candidate may be eligible for election to precinct committee person position if no other candidate for position exists. Requires write-in candidate to signify acceptance of successful write-in candidacy before primary election, rather than after election.

LC 1479 -- Requires certain terms in certain contracts for implementing architectural paint stewardship program.

LC 1543 -- Authorizes local units of government that have contracted with Department of Environmental Quality to carry out certain duties of department to contract with private persons to carry out certain duties of department on behalf of local units of government.

LC 1649 -- Directs Public Utility Commission to form work group to study methods by which public utility that furnishes natural gas may expand service to areas that do not have access to natural gas. Directs the PUC to report results of the study to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to energy on or before September 15, 2016. Sunsets on January 2, 2017.

LC 1953 -- Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for State Fair Council, for conducting Oregon State Fair, carrying out state fairground business operations or operating state fairground properties and facilities.

LC 1954 -- Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for State Fair Council, for repair, maintenance or insurance of state fairground properties or capital expenditures for buildings or equipment.