

2026 POLICY BRIEF

Oregon SB 1576

About this Bill

SB 1576 would require updates to the state building code to conform with expanded accessibility standards under the Fair Housing Act and certain American National Standards Institute requirements. The bill would also prohibit Oregon Housing and Community Services from funding new subsidized rental housing unless those heightened accessibility standards are met. While improving accessibility in housing is an important and widely shared goal, SB 1576 would significantly increase development costs and restrict housing production by imposing highly prescriptive requirements that exceed current state and federal standards.

- Requires the state building code to incorporate expanded federal and national accessibility standards.
- Conditions state funding for subsidized rental housing on compliance with heightened accessibility requirements.
- Duplicates existing Fair Housing Act accessibility standards already required for multifamily housing.
- Imposes stricter thresholds on subsidized developments, increasing costs and reducing feasibility.
- Risks limiting the production of affordable and subsidized housing at a time of acute housing need.

Alignment with MFNW 2026 Legislative Priorities

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	Maintaining Affordability for Housing Providers		Long-Term Financing for Housing Development
	Supporting Additional Resources for Renters		Preventing Patchwork Regulations
	Promoting + Preserving All Housing Development		Meaningful Changes to the Eviction Process

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