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Legislature Grants Oregonians More Freedom to Choose Prefabricated or Manufactured Homes

SALEM, OR – State law says local governments must allow prefabricated and manufactured homes to occupy single-family lots just as traditionally built houses do, but individual subdivisions have retained the option to ban them through homeowner association rules. That changes with House Bill 3144, passed in the Oregon Senate today. New subdivisions won't be able to ban these affordable and innovative structures.

"Creative architects and builders have turned prefab housing into an appealing option, with elegant, efficient designs frequently made with local materials," said **Senator Anthony Broadman (D – Bend)**. "There's no good reason for new HOAs to ban them."

Today's measure does not affect existing subdivisions and their rules, also known as "restrictive covenants." The legislation also requires new but not already existing property deeds and easements to allow prefabricated and manufactured dwellings.

House Bill 3144 was chief sponsored by **Representative Pam Marsh (D – Southern Jackson County)** in the Oregon House, where it passed March 31.

Three Republicans joined Senate Democrats in supporting HB 3144 today. The vote was 21 to nine and the measure now goes to Governor Tina Kotek for her signature.

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