House Bill 2121

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs Public Utility Commission to develop pilot program to integrate up to 17 megawatts of electricity generated from solar power into load used in this state. Directs commission to adopt rules to establish program and authorizes commission to make incentive payments to enable efficient generation of electricity at lowest cost to customers.

Requires commission to report to Legislative Assembly concerning effectiveness of pilot program.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to a pilot program for electricity generated from solar energy.

3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Public Utility Commission shall develop from existing resources a 5 pilot program to demonstrate the feasibility of integrating up to 17 megawatts of electricity

6 generated from solar power into the energy resources available in this state to retail elec-

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7 tricity consumers.

8 (2) The commission may make incentive payments that will aid in producing or acquiring 9 electricity at the least cost to customers and with the most efficient methods of generation 10 and distribution.

(3) The commission shall adopt rules necessary to establish the pilot program described
in subsection (1) of this section.

(4) The commission shall report to the Legislative Assembly at least 30 days before the date on which a regular session of the Legislative Assembly is scheduled to convene. The report must evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot program described in subsection (1) of this section and examine the degree to which incentive payments can assist in reducing the costs of photovoltaic systems.

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