76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2012 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY House Committee on Energy, Environment and Water

| FISCAL: No fiscal impact | | |
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| Action: | | Do Pass and Be Referred to the Committee on Revenue by prior reference |
| Vote: | | 8 - 0 - 0 |
| | Yeas: | Bentz, Boone, Keny-Guyer, Krieger, Thompson, Witt, Bailey, Gilliam |
| | Nays: | 0 |
| | Exc.: | 0 |
| Prepared By: | | Beth Patrino, Administrator |
| Meeting Dates: | | 2/14 |

REVENUE: No revenue impact

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE) to require applicant seeking tax credit certification to demonstrate if efficiency standards of energy conservation project are eligible for certification under specified forest product stewardship systems. Applies to applications for preliminary certification after January 1, 2013. Takes effect on 91st day following sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- LEED certification program
- Existing forest products stewardship certification systems

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: ORS 315.331 authorizes a tax credit for certified energy conservation projects. For projects involving new construction, or a total building retrofit, a project must achieve energy certification standards required for specified rating systems. House Bill 4166 would authorize ODOE to allow an applicant to demonstrate if efficiency standards chosen by the applicant are eligible under certifications given to forest products grown, manufactured and certified under specified programs.