77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY House Committee on Energy & Environment

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued	
Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	8 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Bentz, Boone, Dembrow, Reardon, Vega Pederson, Weidner, Whitsett, Bailey
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Johnson
Prepared By:	Adam Crawford, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	4/11

REVENUE: No revenue impact

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Defines 'transmission line.' Requires persons filing permit with Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC) to build transmission line to notify people's utility district, municipal utility, electric cooperative, and public utility in which transmission line is built unless person is people's utility district, municipal utility, electric cooperative or public utility. Requires persons under Public Utility Commission's (PUC) authority to provide to PUC name and contact information of persons responsible for maintenance and operation of power lines on January 2 of even number years.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Workgroup process and roster
- Electrical grid infrastructure
- Operations and safety of power lines

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces measure.

BACKGROUND: Electrical generation facilities are often connected to sub-stations on or near the same site as the generation facility. The sub-station changes the voltage of the electricity and sends it to the electrical grid through generation tie-lines. House Bill 2203 A requires the owner of the generation tie-line to notify the Public Utility Commission who is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the lines.