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To: Natural Resources Subcommittee
From: Krista Dauenhauer, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: June 10, 2019
Subject: HB 2329 – Relating to energy facilities

The legislation would allow certain renewable energy projects to be cited under local land use jurisdictions rather than by the Department of Energy's (ODOE) Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC), although ODOE citing is still permitted. ODOE, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Historic Preservation Office within the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department may still assist counties during the project review process for a fee for service.

Overall the fiscal impact to state agencies is indeterminate however ODOE may observe a revenue loss of \$163,505 Other Funds as a result of renewable energy projects opting-out of the EFSC review process in the 2019-21 biennium. This revenue loss is not significant enough in the short-term to necessitate position or services and supplies reductions, however the program revenue and expenditure actuals should be re-evaluated during the 2021-23 budget development process. Potential impacts to other state agencies are assumed to be minimal at this time (see Fiscal Analysis for assumptions).

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the -A5 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the -A5 amendment to HB 2329. (VOTE)

Final Subcommittee Action

MOTION: I move HB 2329 to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

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