

HB 2064 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Rules

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Meeting Dates: 2/23, 4/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Changes quorum for Energy Facility Siting Council to a majority of the members. Becomes operative January 1, 2022. Takes effect 91 days following adjournment sine die.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Quorum and number of votes required for decisions
- Current number of vacancies on Energy Facility Siting Council

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC) consists of seven public members appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate. Members serve four-year terms and at the pleasure of the Governor. The council is responsible for overseeing the development of large electric generating facilities, high voltage transmission lines, gas pipelines, radioactive waste disposal sites, and other projects, as well as the transportation and disposal of radioactive materials.

ORS 469.460 (1) states that five EFSC members represent a quorum. House Bill 2064 changes the quorum requirement to a majority of members.