A-Engrossed House Bill 3166

Ordered by the House March 20 Including House Amendments dated March 20

Sponsored by Representative MARSH, Senator LIEBER; Representatives HELM, KROPF, OWENS

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.

Requires State Department of Energy, in consultation with Housing and Community Services Department, to establish whole-home energy savings program and high-efficiency electric home rebate program.

Requires State Department of Energy to create single resource that provides [*information and technical assistance*] to interested persons [*on available*] **information, technical assistance and assistance in identifying contractors and financing options, related to available** energy efficiency incentives and programs.

Requires department to coordinate information and data exchanges between certain entities. Requires entities to use best practices to maintain confidentiality and security of information and data as required by law.

[Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.] Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to programs that support home energy efficiency; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The State Department of Energy, in consultation with the Housing and 5 Community Services Department, shall establish:

6 (a) A whole-home energy savings program to provide rebates to individual homeowners,

7 multifamily building owners and aggregators for home energy efficiency retrofits; and

8 (b) A high-efficiency electric home rebate program to provide rebates for the purchase

9 and installation of appliances and nonappliance upgrades.

10 (2) In establishing a program under this section, the State Department of Energy shall:

11 (a) Consult with stakeholders, including consumer-owned utilities, as defined in ORS

12 757.270, and investor-owned utilities, as defined in ORS 469.631; and

(b) Ensure the program maximizes benefits for applicants by leveraging federal and state
resources.

15 <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) The State Department of Energy shall create a single resource that 16 provides to interested persons information, technical assistance and assistance in identifying

contractors and financing options, related to available energy efficiency incentives and pro grams.

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19 (2) The department shall coordinate information and data exchanges between federal and

20 state agencies, private and public utility providers, and energy efficiency incentive or pro-

- 21 gram providers as may be necessary to:
- 22 (a) Create and maintain the single resource described under subsection (1) of this section;

1 **and**

 $\mathbf{2}$ (b) Support the implementation and reporting requirements of available energy efficiency 3 incentives and programs. (3) The department may contract with a nonprofit or other entity as may be necessary 4 to carry out the provisions of this section. $\mathbf{5}$ 6 (4) Entities that exchange, compile or maintain information or data under this section or that are involved in carrying out the provisions of this section shall use best practices to 7maintain the confidentiality and security of the information and data as required by federal 8 9 and state law, including the Oregon Consumer Information Protection Act and ORS 192.355. SECTION 3. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 10 11 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect

12 13 on its passage.

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