

Senate Bill 833

Sponsored by Senator SMITH DB

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 **as introduced**.

Requires Oregon State University to study use of thorium as nuclear fuel in nuclear power plant. Directs university to submit findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to energy not later than September 15, 2024.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to thorium.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) Oregon State University shall study the use of thorium as nuclear fuel**
5 **for a nuclear power plant. The study shall include an evaluation of the advantages and dis-**
6 **advantages of using thorium as nuclear fuel for a nuclear power plant.**

7 **(2) The university shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may**
8 **include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative As-**
9 **sembly related to energy no later than September 15, 2024.**

10 **(3) Upon the request of the university, the State Department of Energy shall assist the**
11 **university in the study or in compiling the report required under this section.**

12 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2025.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.