

SB 827 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Energy and Environment

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Expands direction to Oregon Department of Energy to provide rebates for the purchase, construction or installation of energy storage systems that will be paired at the time of installation with previously purchased and installed solar electric systems.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2019, the Legislative Assembly enacted HB 2618 which directed the Oregon Department of Energy to adopt a program to provide rebates for the purchase, construction, or installation of solar electric systems and paired solar and storage systems. ODOE implemented the Oregon Solar + Storage Rebate Program. As of January 2025, 6,950 projects have either received or reserved rebates in 34 Oregon counties through the Oregon Solar + Storage Rebate Program.

Senate Bill 827 would expand the Oregon Solar + Storage Rebate Program to include battery storage systems that are coupled with existing solar installations.