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Bill Title: Relating to energy storage transition planning; prescribing an effective date.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Energy, Department of Land Conservation and Development, Department of Emergency Management, Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Department of the State Fire Marshal, Office of the Governor

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Energy	\$ 1,157,497	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,157,497	1	0.50
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 1,157,497	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,157,497	1	0.50

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Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-

Measure Description

The measure directs the Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE), in coordination with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD), the Oregon Department of Emergency Management (ODEM), the Department of the State Fire Marshal (DSFM), and the State Resilience Officer, to develop an energy storage transition plan for the critical energy infrastructure hub located on the west bank of the Willamette River in Portland. The plan must establish short-, medium-, and long-term goals to strengthen the resilience of Oregon’s energy sector and guide the state’s future energy strategy.

In developing the plan, ODOE must engage industry stakeholders, community members, technical experts, researchers, and state and local agencies, and assess the feasibility of requiring terminal operators to carry financial assurance (e.g., insurance or bonds) for catastrophic fuel release risks in the event of an earthquake. ODOE may contract with the National Policy Consensus Center at Portland State University to support stakeholder engagement and plan development. A report on the completed plan is due to an interim legislative committee related to emergency management by September 15, 2026. The section is repealed on January 2, 2027.

Fiscal Analysis

The total estimated fiscal impact of the measure is \$1,157,497 General Fund in the 2025-27 biennium.

Department of Energy

To develop the energy storage transition plan, ODOE will coordinate with multiple state agencies and stakeholders, define plan goals and deliverables, and ensure alignment with the state's energy security plan, proposed fuel storage diversification action plan, and energy strategy. The agency anticipates needing one limited duration full-time Program Analyst 3 (0.50 FTE) for project coordination and technical support, with position costs estimated at \$128,037 General Fund in the 2025-27 biennium. Additional service and supply costs, including in-state travel and a professional services contract to assist with plan development and stakeholder engagement, are estimated at \$966,850 General Fund.

The Department has a federally approved indirect cost rate that funds a portion of the overall agency administrative costs. This indirect rate is applied as part of the costs of any newly authorized positions. Indirect costs of the limited duration full-time position totals \$ \$62,610 in 2025-27.

Other entities

The measure is anticipated to have no to minimal impact on the Department of Environmental Quality, the Department of Land Conservation and Development, the Department of Emergency Management, the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, the Department of the State Fire Marshal, and the Office of the Governor.

Relevant Dates

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The measure takes effect on the 91st day after sine die.