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OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Leading Oregon to a safe, equitable, clean, and sustainable energy future.



The Oregon Department of Energy helps Oregonians make informed decisions and maintain a resilient and affordable energy system. We advance solutions to shape an equitable clean energy transition, protect the environment and public health, and responsibly balance energy needs and impacts for current and future generations.

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- A Central Repository of Energy Data, Information, and Analysis
- A Venue for Problem-Solving Oregon's Energy Challenges
- Energy Education and Technical Assistance
- Regulation and Oversight
- Energy Programs and Activities

PROGRAMS INCLUDED IN SB 825

State Energy Efficient Design (SEED) Program

- The SEED program began in 1991 with the simple goal of minimizing the use of energy resources
- The program tracks energy usage and energy efficiency measures deployed in Oregon's state agencies

Building Performance Standard (BPS)

- Passed in 2023 through HB 3409
- Directed the Building Performance Standard (BPS) to regulate energy consumption in public and private buildings that are 20,000 square feet or greater

Oregon's Small-Scale Local Energy Loan Program (SELP)

- Oregon's energy loan program offered fixedrate, long-term loans for qualified energy efficiency projects
- ODOE does not have authority to issue more loans



MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Bill 825 Proposes:

- To eliminate parts of the State Energy Efficient Design (SEED) Program that are also required by the new Building Performance Standard (BPS) Program requirements
- 2. Remove the outdated references to previous state agency energy reduction goals
- 3. Remove reporting requirements no longer needed for the Small-Scale Local Energy Loan Program (SELP)





EFFECTS ON ODOE AND STAKEHOLDERS

- 1. There is no fiscal impact to ODOE
 - Reporting state agency building energy use is done by staff across multiple agencies and supported by staff at ODOE and the Department of Administrative Services
- 2. Since the measure reduces redundant reporting, it will increase available time and resources for ODOE and other agency staff
- 3. SELP is no longer issuing loans, so no stakeholders will be affected



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