HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3346

By COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, LAND USE, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND WATER

April 2

"SECTION 1. (1) On or before November 30, 2026, the Department of Land Conservation
and Development, in consultation with the Department of Revenue, State Department of
Energy and Water Resources Department, shall prepare a study of issues regarding the
small-scale renewable energy facilities sited in areas classified as critical ground water areas

- "(a) Options for changes that could be made in legislation, statewide land use planning goals, Land Conservation and Development Commission rules, local government comprehensive plans or land use regulations to facilitate the approval of facilities by a conditional use process, rather than as a goal exception.
- "(b) Changes that could be made in legislation to reduce the property tax burdens for facilities, including reductions to special assessment disqualification and additional tax liabilities for properties converted from farm use.
- "(c) The feasibility of development or investment participation in facilities by electric cooperatives.
 - "(d) Specific land use siting issues for:

east of the Cascade Range, including:

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- "(A) Various types of facilities, including solar, wind and geothermal; and
- "(B) Various generation capacities of facilities, including net metered systems, community solar facilities and facilities generating over two megawatts of energy.
- "(2) On or before November 30, 2026, the Department of Land Conservation and Development shall provide a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to land use in the manner provided in ORS 192.245 summarizing the results of the study conducted under this section."

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