

Senate Bill 1160

Sponsored by Senator NASH, Representatives HELM, OWENS

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**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Tells ODOE to study the costs and benefits of renewable energy projects in this state. Directs ODOE to give a report on its findings. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).

Requires the State Department of Energy to carry out a cost-benefit analysis on deploying renewable energy projects in this state. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to energy not later than September 30, 2026.

Sunset on January 2, 2027.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the deployment of renewable energy projects; and prescribing an effective date.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The State Department of Energy shall conduct a study to carry out a**
5 **cost-benefit analysis on deploying renewable energy projects in this state. The department**
6 **shall collect all data necessary to complete the study, including data from entities that rep-**
7 **resent small scale and community-based renewable energy projects and public utilities.**

8 **(2) The Public Utility Commission shall assist the department in collecting from public**
9 **utilities all data necessary to complete the study.**

10 **(3) In collecting data for the study and drafting the report required under subsection (4)**
11 **of this section, the department shall balance the public interest in information and the pro-**
12 **prietary interests of owners and operators of renewable energy projects and utility service**
13 **providers.**

14 **(4) The department shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and**
15 **may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative**
16 **Assembly related to energy no later than September 30, 2026.**

17 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2025 Act is repealed on January 2, 2027.**

18 **SECTION 3. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025**
19 **regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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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.