

HB 2985-3
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Requested by Representative HELM

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2985**

On page 5 of the printed bill, delete lines 1 through 18 and insert:

“SECTION 8. ORS 756.610 is amended to read:

“756.610. (1)(a) The Public Utility Commission shall include in every final order issued by the commission and in every order issued by the commission that considers facts and makes a determination regarding whether a legal standard has been met:

“(A) Clear findings of fact that are not merely recitals of evidence or unsupported conclusions;

“(B) A statement of reasons that demonstrate whether all relevant legal standards have been met; and

“(C) A resolution of all material issues identified or a statement that the data or arguments submitted on the record are not relevant to the determination.

“(b) If the commission proposes to rely on prior orders in issuing an order, the prior orders must also comply with the standards set forth in this subsection.

“(c) As used in this subsection, “the record” includes the administrative record of prior commission proceedings that the order proposes to rely upon.

“[(1)(a)] (2) Except as provided in subsections [(2) and] (3) and (4) of this section, final orders of the [*Public Utility*] commission are subject to judicial

1 review as orders under the provisions of ORS 183.480 to 183.497.

2 “[*(b) Binding rulings issued under ORS 756.450 are subject to review in*
3 *the Court of Appeals in the manner provided in ORS 183.480 for the review*
4 *of orders in contested cases.*]

5 “[*(2) ORS 183.482 (3) does not apply to judicial review of an order of the*
6 *Public Utility Commission. At any time after filing a petition for judicial re-*
7 *view of a final order of the commission in a contested case, the petitioner may*
8 *apply to the Court of Appeals for a stay of the order until the final disposition*
9 *of the appeal. The court may grant a stay for cause shown. As a condition of*
10 *granting a stay, the court may require a bond or other security, or impose such*
11 *other conditions as the court deems appropriate. A stay may be granted only*
12 *after notice to the commission and opportunity for hearing. Any bond required*
13 *by the court must be executed in favor of the commission for the benefit of*
14 *interested persons, and may be enforced by the commission or by any interested*
15 *person.*]

16 **“(3) In addition to the grounds for setting aside, modifying and re-**
17 **manding an order set forth in ORS 183.482 and 183.484, the Court of**
18 **Appeals shall set aside, modify or remand a final order of the com-**
19 **mission if the court finds that the findings, statement of reasons and**
20 **resolution of issues provided under subsection (1) of this section are**
21 **inadequate to support judicial review of the order.**

22 “[*(3)*] (4) An order of the [*Public Utility*] commission related to the peti-
23 tion for a certificate of public convenience and necessity under ORS 758.015,
24 where the petitioner also seeks approval from the Energy Facility Siting
25 Council for the proposed transmission line, is subject to judicial review as
26 provided in ORS 758.017.”.