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Requested by Representative GAMBA

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3336

1 On page 2 of the printed bill, after line 30, insert:

<u>SECTION 4.</u> Section 2 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part
of ORS chapter 197.

"SECTION 5. (1) As used in this section, 'transmission line' means 4 any aboveground or underground electric transmission lines, including 5 the utility poles, supports, tunnels, manholes, vaults, conduits, pipes, 6 wires, conductors, guys, stubs, platforms, crossarms, braces, trans-7 formers, insulators, cutouts, switches, capacitors, meters, communi-8 cation circuits, appliances, attachments and appurtenances, and all 9 related facilities required for the acceptance or electric services by the 10 transmission lines. 11

"(2) Except as limited within an underground assessment district under ORS 758.210 to 758.270 and as provided in this section, a local government may not apply any land use regulation to an application to site any upgrade or replacement of any transmission lines using grid enhancing technology as defined in section 1 of this 2025 Act that are sited within:

18 "(a) The existing transmission line's right-of way; or

19 "(b) An expanded right-of-way that is:

- 20 "(A) Necessary to meet current electrical standards; and
- 21 "(B) Within previously disturbed or developed lands, including lands

whose functioning ecological processes have been and remain altered by human activity, lands transformed from natural cover to nonnative species or to a managed state, including utility and electric power transmission corridors where active utilities and currently used roads are readily available.

6 "(3) In reviewing an application under this section, a local govern-7 ment may only apply clear and objective land use standards that do 8 not require the exercise of judgment by the decision maker. The re-9 view is not a land use decision.

"(4) This section does not apply to a siting application that is part
of a series of actions, physically or functionally related to each other,
if:

"(a) Any of the actions require a land use approval separate from
the approval described in this section;

"(b) Any of the actions include installation or construction directly
in or under lands covered by water; or

"(c) The actions together have a probable significant adverse environmental impact in the judgment of the local government.".

19 In line 31, delete "4" and insert "6".

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