

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2628

By COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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

2 “Whereas poorly designed outdoor lighting fixtures illuminate the night sky, threatening ama-
3 teur and professional astronomy; and

4 “Whereas diffused lighting from poorly designed outdoor lighting fixtures interferes with the
5 ability of many people to see the beauty and wonder of the night sky; and

6 “Whereas lighting from poorly designed outdoor lighting fixtures causes nighttime glare that
7 poses significant safety risks to drivers and pedestrians; and

8 “Whereas the use of lighting fixtures with improved designs could increase safety, conserve en-
9 ergy and preserve the beauty of the night sky; and

10 “Whereas the International Dark-Sky Association and the Illuminating Engineering Society of
11 North America have formed a joint task force to develop a model lighting ordinance to address the
12 need for strong, consistent outdoor lighting regulation in the United States; now, therefore,”.

13 Delete lines 4 through 30 and delete page 2 and insert:

14 “**SECTION 1. The Legislative Assembly finds that in order to promote the use of**
15 **energy-efficient outdoor lighting fixtures and to mitigate the light pollution caused by certain**
16 **types of outdoor lighting fixtures, local building officials should assess local ordinances re-**
17 **lating to outdoor lighting, and the State Department of Energy should assess state statutes**
18 **and state building code provisions relating to outdoor lighting, for consistency and relevance**
19 **in accomplishing the strong regulation of outdoor lighting fixtures in this state.**

20 “**SECTION 2. Upon a model lighting ordinance being made available to the public by the**
21 **International Dark-Sky Association and the Illuminating Engineering Society of North**
22 **America, or their successors, the State Department of Energy shall review the model ordi-**
23 **nance provisions that are relevant to outdoor lighting fixtures. The department shall publish**
24 **a report containing findings and recommendations of the department based upon the review.**
25 **The findings and recommendations may include, but need not be limited to:**

26 “(1) **The relevance of the model ordinance for regulating outdoor lighting fixtures under**
27 **the state building code;**

28 “(2) **The suitability of the technical regulations on outdoor lighting fixtures specified in**
29 **the ordinance;**

30 “(3) **The expected effectiveness that adoption of the model ordinance would have in re-**
31 **ducing light pollution from outdoor lighting fixtures and promoting the energy efficiency of**
32 **outdoor lighting fixtures; and**

33 “(4) **The desirability of promoting both state and local adoption of the model ordinance**
34 **provisions regarding outdoor lighting.**

35 “**SECTION 3. The State Department of Energy shall report its findings and recommen-**

1 **datations to the Governor and to the Seventy-fourth Legislative Assembly in the manner pro-**
2 **vided by ORS 192.245 no later than October 1, 2008. The department shall make the report**
3 **available to the public without charge.**

4 **“SECTION 4. Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this 2007 Act are repealed January 2, 2012.”**

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