

REVENUE: No revenue impact
FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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Meeting Dates:	2/20

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires a state agency that is authorized to finance construction, purchase or renovation of structures used by the state, to reduce the amount of energy the agency uses by at least 20 percent by June 30, 2015. Reduction to be calculated from a baseline amount the Oregon Department of Energy determines by rule based on usage in calendar year 2000. Requires agency to report annually to the department regarding energy use. Requires agency that fails to meet the 20 percent energy reduction requirement on or after June 30, 2015, to submit biennial energy conservation plan to the department. Authorizes the department to, by rule, require prequalification of prospective bidders for a person to submit a bid or proposal to direct an energy consumption analysis for a state agency (unless the person is a professional engineer or architect), enter into an energy savings performance contract or perform services related to the preparation of state agency plan. Authorizes the department to recover the costs of administering the program from authorized state agencies. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Percentage of owned and leased properties of the Department of Administrative Services (DAS)
- Whether to require leased properties to meet the June 30, 2015 deadline
- Commitment of DAS to meet energy efficiency goals in leased and owned facilities
- Jobs generated through energy efficiency projects
- Prequalification of prospective bidders
- Potential cost-savings to the state from energy use reductions

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Removes rental and lease agreements from the energy efficiency requirement deadline. Lease agreements of ten years or more are subject to guidelines to phase in energy efficiencies. Inserts 'licensed' to define a professional engineer or architect exempt from the requirement to direct an energy consumption analysis. Expands and clarifies energy management services.

BACKGROUND: The state energy efficiency program (SEED) was established in 1991. The law directs state agencies to work with the Oregon Department of Energy to ensure cost-effective energy conservation measures are included in new and renovated public buildings. It was revised in 2001 to require that all state facilities constructed on or after June 30, 2001 exceed the energy conservation provisions of the Oregon state building code by 20 percent or more. The Energy Conservation Initiative was added to the SEED program in 2001. The initiative requires a 10 percent reduction in state agency energy usage in existing facilities. In March 2006, Governor Kulongoski's Executive Order 06-02 directed state agencies to reduce energy usage by an additional 10 percent to 20 percent by 2015.

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