

Senate Bill 743

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

SUMMARY

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Modifies provision related to qualifying electricity for purposes of compliance with renewable portfolio standard.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to electricity from low-impact hydroelectric facilities that may be used to comply with
3 renewable portfolio standards; amending ORS 469A.020.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 469A.020 is amended to read:

6 469A.020. (1) Except as provided in this section, electricity may be used to comply with a
7 renewable portfolio standard only if the electricity is generated by a facility that becomes opera-
8 tional on or after January 1, 1995.

9 (2) Electricity from a generating facility, other than a hydroelectric facility, that became oper-
10 ational before January 1, 1995, may be used to comply with a renewable portfolio standard if the
11 electricity is attributable to capacity or efficiency upgrades made on or after January 1, 1995.

12 (3) Electricity from a hydroelectric facility that became operational before January 1, 1995, may
13 be used to comply with a renewable portfolio standard if the electricity is attributable to efficiency
14 upgrades made on or after January 1, 1995. If an efficiency upgrade is made to a Bonneville Power
15 Administration facility, only that portion of the electricity generation attributable to Oregon's share
16 of the electricity may be used to comply with a renewable portfolio standard.

17 (4) Subject to the limit imposed by ORS 469A.025 (5), electricity from a hydroelectric facility
18 [*that is owned by an electric utility and*] that became operational before January 1, 1995, may be used
19 to comply with a renewable portfolio standard if the facility is certified as a low-impact hydroelec-
20 tric facility on or after January 1, 1995, by a national certification organization recognized by the
21 State Department of Energy by rule, **and if the facility is either:**

22 **(a) Owned by an electric utility; or**

23 **(b) Located in Oregon.**
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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.