HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3633

By COMMITTEE ON SUSTAINABILITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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- In line 2 of the printed bill, delete "amending ORS 469A.210" and insert "creating new provisions; amending ORS 469A.210; appropriating money; and declaring an emergency".
 - Delete lines 4 through 12 and insert:

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- "SECTION 1. ORS 469A.210 is amended to read:
- "469A.210. The Legislative Assembly finds that community-based renewable energy projects, including but not limited to marine renewable energy resources that are either developed in accordance with the Territorial Sea Plan adopted pursuant to ORS 196.471 or located on structures adjacent to the coastal shorelands, are an essential element of Oregon's energy future, and declares that it is the goal of the State of Oregon that by 2025 at least eight percent of Oregon's retail electrical load comes from small-scale renewable energy projects with a generating capacity of 20 megawatts or less. All agencies of the executive department as defined in ORS 174.112 shall establish policies and procedures promoting the goal declared in this section.
- "SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Land Conservation and Development shall conduct a study on how to best develop commercially viable marine renewable energy resources in this state. The study may include, but is not limited to, the following subjects:
- "(a) The overall needs, opportunities and constraints regarding development of marine renewable energy resources.
- "(b) The potential economic impacts on other ocean industries and coastal communities caused by development of marine renewable energy resources.
- "(c) Environmental conditions and limitations affecting the development of marine renewable energy resources.
- "(d) Relevant state and federal regulatory structures affecting the development of marine renewable energy resources.
- "(e) Public and private financial and investment needs of marine renewable energy resource production.
- "(f) Capacity of and constraints on local coastal utilities to use marine renewable energy in their service areas.
 - "(g) Trends and opportunities in energy conversion technologies.
 - "(h) Operational considerations and opportunities for marine renewable energy.
 - "(i) Research needs and opportunities.
- "(j) Opportunities for funding, including state tax credits, feed-in tariffs, incentives and other available sources of research and development funds.
- "(2) The department shall invite participation by and consultation with other state agencies, including Oregon State University, other federal agencies and appropriate stakeholders, as needed.

"(3) The department shall coordinate preparation of its study with a committee organized by the department that has experience with providing policy guidance and direction for marine renewable energy resources in the territorial sea. The committee shall review the recommendations and results of the study and forward appropriate recommendations, with any recommended modifications from the committee, to the Seventy-sixth Legislative Assembly.

"SECTION 3. The Marine Renewable Energy Resources Study Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Marine Renewable Energy Resources Study Fund shall be credited to the fund. Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of Land Conservation and Development for the purposes of section 2 of this 2010 Act. The department may accept contributions of moneys and assistance from any source, public or private, and agree to conditions placed on the moneys not inconsistent with the provisions of section 2 of this 2010 Act. No moneys from the General Fund or from federal funds used to support other programs may be deposited into the Marine Renewable Energy Resources Study Fund.

"SECTION 4. (1) Sections 2 and 3 of this 2010 Act are repealed on the 61st day after the adjournment sine die of the 2010 special session of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly unless sufficient moneys are deposited in the Marine Renewable Energy Resources Study Fund for the Department of Land Conservation and Development to conduct the study pursuant to section 2 of this 2010 Act.

- "(2) Prior to the 61st day after the adjournment sine die of the 2010 special session of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly, the department shall notify the Legislative Counsel if the department deposits sufficient moneys into the fund to conduct the study pursuant to section 2 of this 2010 Act.
- "(3) Section 2 this 2010 Act becomes operative on the date on which the department has deposited sufficient moneys into the fund to conduct a study pursuant to section 2 of this 2010 Act, if that day occurs prior to the 61st day after the adjournment sine die of the 2010 special session of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly.
- "(4) If sections 2 and 3 of this 2010 Act are not repealed pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, sections 2 and 3 of this 2010 Act are repealed on January 2, 2012.
- "(5) Any moneys remaining in the Marine Renewable Energy Resources Study Fund on the date of the repeal of sections 2 and 3 of this 2010 Act shall be transferred to the General Fund.

"SECTION 5. This 2010 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2010 Act takes effect on its passage.".

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