

# House Bill 2105

Sponsored by Representative HUFFMAN (Presession filed.)

## SUMMARY

Requires State Department of Energy to study issues related to Energy Facility Siting Council and to report to certain interim legislative committees on or before November 1, 2013.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the Energy Facility Siting Council; and declaring an emergency.

### Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

**SECTION 1. (1) The State Department of Energy shall reviewstudy the following issues related to the Energy Facility Siting Council, and make recommendations to the 2014 Legislative Assembly concerning any proposed legislative improvements to the process for siting energy facilities including:**

**(a) Means of encouraging consistency of siting standards between federal, state and local governments, including tiering of jurisdictional thresholds so that local governments may be authorized to review larger facilities when their standards are consistent with state standards**~~Enhanced collaboration and coordination by state agencies pursuant to ORS 469.350 on matters related to applications for site certificates.~~

**(b) Means of encouraging public participation early in the design and location of energy facilities.**

**(c) Clarifying the definition of a single energy facility for purposes of jurisdictional thresholds.**~~The types of energy facilities required to obtain a site certificate from the Energy Facility Siting Council pursuant to ORS 469.300 to 469.563.~~

**(ed) Means of assuring constructive and effective participation in siting decisions by other state agencies and local governments.**~~Enhanced efficiencies in the process of siting energy facilities pursuant to ORS 469.300 to 469.563.~~

1           (2) The department shall submit a report with the results of the  
2 study, ~~and including and~~ recommendations for legislation, to the interim  
3 committees of the Legislative Assembly related  
4 to environment and natural resources on or before November 1, 2013.

5           SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2013 Act is repealed on January 2,  
6 2015.

7           SECTION 3. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate  
8 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is  
9 declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.