## 77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2014 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Rural Communities & Economic Development

FISCAL: No fiscal impact	
Action:	Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure
Vote:	4 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Baertschiger Jr, Close, Prozanski, Roblan
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Burdick
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	2/20

## **REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Adds renewable marine energy to types of energy for which availability of net metering is required. Establishes that renewable marine energy can be located on territorial sea or outer continental shelf provided it is directly interconnected to customer-generator's premises.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Opportunity to put marine renewable energy on equal footing with other energy types
- Potential for use of wave energy at Camp Rilea in Clatsop County

## EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Net metering is a utility interconnection model that enables customers to offset some or all of their energy use with onsite renewable energy generation and be billed for only the net energy consumed.

House Bill 4042 A would add renewable marine energy to the types of facilities that generate energy for which the availability of net metering is required.