

## HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 4126

By COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

February 10

1 After line 12 of the printed bill, insert:

2 **“SECTION 3. (1) As used in this section, ‘electric company’ has the meaning given that**  
3 **term in ORS 757.600.**

4 **“(2) The Public Utility Commission shall conduct a study to consider the impact of al-**  
5 **lowing electric companies to offer voluntary renewable energy tariffs to their nonresidential**  
6 **customers. The study shall be subject to public comment in a manner determined by the**  
7 **commission.**

8 **“(3) The commission shall consider the results of the study described in subsection (2)**  
9 **of this section in conjunction with the factors specified in this subsection to determine**  
10 **whether, and under what conditions, it is reasonable and in the public interest to allow**  
11 **electric companies to provide voluntary renewable energy tariffs to nonresidential custom-**  
12 **ers. The factors the commission shall consider are:**

13 **“(a) Whether allowing electric companies to provide voluntary renewable energy tariffs**  
14 **to nonresidential customers promotes the further development of significant renewable en-**  
15 **ergy resources;**

16 **“(b) The effect of allowing electric companies to offer voluntary renewable energy tariffs**  
17 **on the development of a competitive retail market;**

18 **“(c) Any direct or indirect impact, including any potential cost-shifting, on other cus-**  
19 **tomers of any electric company offering a voluntary renewable energy tariff;**

20 **“(d) Whether the voluntary renewable energy tariffs provided by electric companies to**  
21 **nonresidential customers rely on electricity supplied through a competitive procurement**  
22 **process; and**

23 **“(e) Any other reasonable consideration related to allowing electric companies to offer**  
24 **voluntary renewable energy tariffs to their nonresidential customers.**

25 **“(4) If the commission determines under subsection (3) of this section to allow electric**  
26 **companies to offer voluntary renewable energy tariffs to nonresidential customers, the**  
27 **commission may authorize an electric company to file a schedule with the commission that**  
28 **establishes the rates, terms and conditions of services offered under the voluntary renewable**  
29 **energy tariff. All costs and benefits associated with a voluntary renewable energy tariff shall**  
30 **be borne by the nonresidential customer receiving service under the voluntary renewable**  
31 **energy tariff. Schedules shall be submitted and considered in accordance with ORS 757.205,**  
32 **757.210, 757.212 and 757.215. The commission also shall consider the factors specified in sub-**  
33 **section (3) of this section when determining whether to approve a schedule.**

34 **“(5) ORS 757.646 (1) and rules adopted under ORS 757.646 (1) and 757.659 (7) pursuant to**  
35 **ORS 757.646 (1) do not bar the commission from approving a schedule for a voluntary**

1 **renewable energy tariff that is consistent with this section and commission findings.**

2 **“(6) Any qualifying electricity, as defined in ORS 469A.005, procured by an electric com-**  
3 **pany to provide electricity pursuant to a voluntary renewable energy tariff described in this**  
4 **section may not be used by the electric company to comply with the requirements of the**  
5 **renewable portfolio standard described under ORS 469A.052 or 469A.055.”.**

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