

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 4126**

1 After line 12 of the printed bill, insert:

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

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

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

15 **“(a) Whether allowing electric companies to provide voluntary**
16 **renewable energy tariffs to nonresidential customers promotes the**
17 **further development of significant renewable energy resources;**

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

21 **“(c) Any direct or indirect impact, including any potential cost-**
22 **shifting, on other customers of any electric company offering a vol-**

1 **untary renewable energy tariff;**

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

5 **“(e) Any other reasonable consideration related to allowing electric**
6 **companies to offer voluntary renewable energy tariffs to their non-**
7 **residential customers.**

8 **“(4) If the commission determines under subsection (3) of this sec-**
9 **tion to allow electric companies to offer voluntary renewable energy**
10 **tariffs to nonresidential customers, the commission may authorize an**
11 **electric company to file a schedule with the commission that estab-**
12 **lishes the rates, terms and conditions of services offered under the**
13 **voluntary renewable energy tariff. All costs and benefits associated**
14 **with a voluntary renewable energy tariff shall be borne by the non-**
15 **residential customer receiving service under the voluntary renewable**
16 **energy tariff. Schedules shall be submitted and considered in accord-**
17 **ance with ORS 757.205, 757.210, 757.212 and 757.215. The commission also**
18 **shall consider the factors specified in subsection (3) of this section**
19 **when determining whether to approve a schedule.**

20 **“(5) ORS 757.646 (1) and rules adopted under ORS 757.646 (1) and**
21 **757.659 (7) pursuant to ORS 757.646 (1) do not bar the commission from**
22 **approving a schedule for a voluntary renewable energy tariff that is**
23 **consistent with this section and commission findings.**

24 **“(6) Any qualifying electricity, as defined in ORS 469A.005, procured**
25 **by an electric company to provide electricity pursuant to a voluntary**
26 **renewable energy tariff described in this section may not be used by**
27 **the electric company to comply with the requirements of the**
28 **renewable portfolio standard described under ORS 469A.052 or**
29 **469A.055.”.**

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