

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 3068**

1 Delete lines 4 through 15 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Environmental Quality shall**
3 **conduct a study and develop recommendations for legislation to reduce**
4 **woodstove smoke. The study shall evaluate:**

5 **“(a) Strategies to reduce woodstove smoke in communities where**
6 **attainment of the national air quality standards prescribed in the**
7 **federal Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7409, is a concern, including but not**
8 **limited to:**

9 **“(A) Options for transitioning from older, high-polluting**
10 **woodstoves to cleaner-burning home heating alternatives; and**

11 **“(B) Options for reducing the cost of using woodstove alternatives**
12 **for home heating during poor air quality days;**

13 **“(b) The use of biomass in home heating;**

14 **“(c) Opportunities to develop the production and use of high-quality**
15 **wood pellet fuel in Oregon;**

16 **“(d) The role of subsidies to encourage wood pellet use in house-**
17 **holds; and**

18 **“(e) Potential economic and public health effects of woodstove**
19 **smoke in communities where attainment of the national air quality**
20 **standards prescribed in the federal Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7409, is a**
21 **concern.**

22 **“(2) The Department of Environmental Quality shall form a work**

1 **group for the purpose of conducting the study described in this sec-**
2 **tion. The work group shall include representatives from other state**
3 **agencies, stakeholders, elected officials and other individuals who the**
4 **department determines have expertise that will inform the study.**
5 **Members of the work group shall represent urban and rural commu-**
6 **nities and different geographic regions of this state.**

7 **“(3) In conducting the study described in this section, the depart-**
8 **ment shall:**

9 **“(a) Collaborate with the State Department of Energy, State**
10 **Forestry Department, Oregon Business Development Department and**
11 **Public Utility Commission; and**

12 **“(b) Consult with members of the public from rural and urban**
13 **communities, as well as different regions of the state, about its pre-**
14 **liminary findings and recommendations relating to potential strategies**
15 **to reduce woodstove smoke.**

16 **“(4) The department shall submit an initial report on its prelimi-**
17 **nary findings and recommendations to a legislative committee related**
18 **to the environment and natural resources in the manner provided**
19 **under ORS 192.245 during the 2016 regular session of the Seventy-**
20 **eighth Legislative Assembly.**

21 **“(5) The department shall submit a final report on the results of the**
22 **study and recommendations for legislation or budget requests to the**
23 **interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to the envi-**
24 **ronment and natural resources in the manner provided under ORS**
25 **192.245 on or before September 15, 2016.”.**

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