SUMMARY

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Requires Land Conservation and Development Commission to amend statewide land use planning goals related to energy to incorporate development of renewable energy facilities and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and to match state energy policies.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the adoption of energy policies into statewide land use planning goals; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 197.235.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding ORS 197.235 (1)(a), on or before June 30, 2020, the Land Conservation and Development Commission shall amend its statewide land use planning goals, including goals related to energy conservation, consistent with section 2 of this 2019 Act and the procedures under ORS 197.235 (4).

SECTION 2. The Legislative Assembly finds that, in addition to the statewide land use planning goal related to energy conservation currently adopted by the Land Conservation and Development Commission:

   (1) It is a priority of the state to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, minimize climate change impacts and support a healthy environment;

   (2) Shifting this state away from fossil fuels promotes energy independence, which is a priority of the state;

   (3) The development of renewable energy facilities supports local jobs;

   (4) The Legislative Assembly has adopted policies to promote Oregon’s green energy economy, including a renewable portfolio standard and a community solar program;

   (5) Land use planning in this state should:

     (a) Promote the development of renewable energy facilities to facilitate the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions;

     (b) Help meet the state’s energy policies;

     (c) Promote technologies that facilitate efficient integration of energy resources; and

     (d) Facilitate the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions; and

   (6) The current statewide land use planning goals omit the goals and policies of the state identified in this section and are therefore inconsistent with the policies of the state and should be amended as provided in section 1 of this 2019 Act.

SECTION 3. ORS 197.235 is amended to read:

   (1) In preparing the goals and guidelines, the Department of Land Conservation and Development shall:

     (a) Hold at least 10 public hearings throughout the state, causing notice of the time, place and

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purpose of each hearing to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the area where
the hearing is to be conducted not later than 30 days prior to the date of the hearing. At least two
public hearings must be held in each congressional district.

(b) Implement any other provision for public involvement developed by the State Citizen In-
volvement Advisory Committee under ORS 197.160 (1) and approved by the Land Conservation and
Development Commission.

(2) Upon completion of the preparation of the proposed goals and guidelines, or amendments to
those goals and guidelines, the department shall submit them to the commission, the Local Officials
Advisory Committee, the State Citizen Involvement Advisory Committee and the appropriate legis-
lative committee for review.

(3) The commission shall consider the comments of the Local Officials Advisory Committee, the
State Citizen Involvement Advisory Committee and the legislative committee before the adoption
and amendment of the goals and guidelines.

(4) Notwithstanding ORS 197.240 and subsection (1)(a) of this section, when a legislative
enactment or an initiative measure is inconsistent with the adopted goals and guidelines or directs
the commission to make a specific change to the adopted goals and guidelines, the commission may
[amend] propose and adopt amendments to the goals and guidelines after only one public hearing,
at a location determined by the commission, if the proposed amendment:

(a) Is necessary to conform the goals and guidelines to the legislative enactment or the initiative
measure; and

(b) Makes no change other than the conforming changes unless the change corrects an obvious
scrivener's error.