House Bill 2560

Sponsored by Representative EVANS (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

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Directs Department of Land Conservation and Development to study methods to mitigate impacts of technology towers on aesthetics.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to technology support structures; and declaring an emergency.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) As used in this section, "technology support structure" means a structure situated above ground that is necessary for the support and function of cellular, satellite or radio technology.
 - (2) The Department of Land Conservation and Development shall conduct a study on methods to mitigate the impact of technology support structures on the aesthetics of certain areas. The study shall:
 - (a) Identify areas where technology support structures impact the aesthetics of waterways, areas zoned for farm or forest use or areas associated with tourism;
 - (b) Evaluate how the impact of technology support structures on the aesthetics of the identified areas affects quality of life and tourism;
 - (c) Develop suggested standards for adoption by planning commissions and local governments to mitigate the impact of technology support structures on the aesthetics of the identified areas; and
 - (d) Establish a schedule for planning commissions and local governments to implement and enforce the standards developed under paragraph (c) of this subsection no later than January 1, 2027.
 - SECTION 2. The Department of Land Conservation and Development shall submit a report in the manner provided in ORS 192.245 on the progress of the study described in section 1 of this 2019 Act to the interim legislative committees on land use no later than September 15, 2019.
 - SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect on its passage.

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