

Open Government Impact Statement

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SUMMARY

Requires electric company to operate in compliance with risk-based wildfire protection plan approved by Public Utility Commission. Requires periodic submission of new plan. Specifies minimum required contents for plan. Creates plan exception. Requires submission of initial plan no later than December 31, 2020.

Requires consumer-owned utility to operate in compliance with risk-based wildfire mitigation plan approved by governing body of utility. Requires periodic submission of new plan. Creates plan exception. Requires submission of initial plan no later than December 31, 2021.

Requires consumer-owned utility to conduct wildfire risk assessment of utility facilities. Requires review and revision of assessment as required by governing body of utility.

Requires Public Utility Commission workshops to develop and share information for best practices regarding wildfire.

Authorizes insurer to use maps and data of, and work in cooperation with, Department of Land Conservation and Development and State Fire Marshal.

Requires State Forestry Department to develop and maintain statewide map of wildfire risk.

Requires State Fire Marshal to establish minimum defensible space requirements. Allows local government to adopt local defensible space requirements in excess of State Fire Marshal requirements.

Authorizes State Fire Marshal to contract for local government enforcement of minimum defensible space requirements. Requires contracting local government to periodically report to State Fire Marshal regarding compliance with defensible space requirements. Requires State Fire Marshal to maintain map of defensible space requirements and compliance.

Requires State Fire Marshal to administer and enforce program to provide assistance to local governments for administration and enforcement of defensible space requirements. Establishes Wildfire Defensible Space Fund. Establishes creation of defensible space on lands of certain underserved populations as priority use of financial assistance.

Requires Oregon Health Authority to establish standards for smoke filtration systems in certain buildings. Requires authority to establish program to increase availability of systems among vulnerable persons residing in areas susceptible to wildfire smoke. Authorizes authority to issue grants to increase availability of systems. Creates Wildfire Smoke Abatement Fund.



Establishes task force to identify barriers to installation of smoke filtration systems in areas susceptible to wildfire smoke and provide advice to Oregon Health Authority. Requires task force report no l

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