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SUMMARY

Requires State Department of Energy to work with stakeholders to identify areas of inquiry regarding energy and energy use in this state, develop research options and convene advisory group to develop recommendations and benchmarks around energy and energy use in this state.

Directs department to produce report with final set of recommendations and submit report to Governor and appropriate interim committees of Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2024.

Takes effect 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to the use of energy in this state; and prescribing an effective date.

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

3 **SECTION 1. (1) The State Department of Energy shall:**

4 **(a) Work and consult with stakeholders to identify areas of inquiry**
5 **regarding energy and energy use in this state that, if researched and**
6 **analyzed, could provide important and useful information, data or da-**
7 **tasets as a resource for the Legislative Assembly or Governor. The**
8 **stakeholders must represent a diverse range of interests, expertise and**
9 **education, socioeconomic communities and geographic areas of the**
10 **state;**

11 **(b) Develop research options using the areas of inquiry identified**
12 **under paragraph (a) of this subsection and in consultation with federal**
13 **and state agencies that oversee or have expertise in the areas of in-**
14 **quiry identified under paragraph (a) of this subsection; and**

15 **(c) Convene an advisory group to develop a set of recommendations**
16 **and benchmarks around energy and energy use in this state using the**
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1 **research options developed under paragraph (b) of this subsection.**

2 **(2)(a) The department shall produce a report that consolidates a**
3 **final set of recommendations around energy and energy use in this**
4 **state. The report must include:**

5 **(A) A final set of recommendations and background information**
6 **regarding the work and decision-making that led to the final set of**
7 **recommendations;**

8 **(B) The areas of inquiry identified under subsection (1)(a) of this**
9 **section and background information regarding the work that led to the**
10 **areas of inquiry;**

11 **(C) The research options developed under subsection (1)(b) of this**
12 **section and background information regarding the work that led to the**
13 **research options; and**

14 **(D) The set of recommendations and benchmarks developed by the**
15 **advisory group under subsection (1)(c) of this section and background**
16 **information regarding the work that led to the set of recommen-**
17 **dations.**

18 **(b) The department shall submit the report produced under para-**
19 **graph (a) of this subsection to the Governor and the appropriate in-**
20 **terim committees of the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided**
21 **under ORS 192.245 no later than September 15, 2024.**

22 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2025.**

23 **SECTION 3. This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date**
24 **on which the 2023 regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative**
25 **Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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