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Measure: HB 2165 - 1

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Measure Description:

Requires electric companies to collect amount from all retail electricity consumers, to be expended to support transportation electrification pursuant to plan accepted by Public Utility Commission.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Revenue (DOR), Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Public Utility Commission (PUC)

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee on Energy and Environment to the Joint Committee on Transportation.

The measure requires an electric company with sales of electricity to 25,000 or more retail customers in Oregon to collect, through monthly meter charges, an amount from each retail electricity consumer served through the distribution system owned and operated by the electric company. The total amounts collected by an electric company must be set to one quarter of one percent (0.25%) of the total revenues collected by the electric company from all retail electricity customers. These revenues must be spent on supporting and integrating transportation electrification, as approved by the Public Utility Commission (PUC). This provision sunsets on January 2, 2031. PUC may allow electric companies to recover costs from retail electricity customers for prudent infrastructure measures to support transportation electrification if they are consistent with and meet specific requirements. The measure modifies the eligibility criteria for and increases the value of the Charge Ahead zero-emission and electric vehicle rebates, as well as permissible administrative expenses of the Zero-Emission Incentive Fund. The measure repeals the sunset on standard and Charge Ahead zero-emission and electric vehicle rebate programs, and it maintains funding of the programs through a privilege tax on retail sales of motor vehicles. After payment of administrative and enforcement expenses, the Department of Revenue (DOR) shall transfer \$12 million annually to the Zero-Emission Incentive Fund and the balance to the Connect Oregon Fund.

The measure is anticipated to have an impact on the Department of Revenue, the Department of Environmental Quality, and the Public Utility Commission.

A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Transportation.

Further Analysis Required

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