HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO
A-ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2603
By JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
June 23

On page 1 of the printed A-engrossed bill, line 18, delete “its previous” and insert “a”.
In line 20, delete “and”.
After line 20, insert:
“(c) A detailed description of segments of bore pipe and undersea cable proposed to be left in
place to avoid or minimize impacts to aquatic resources; and”.
In line 21, delete “(c)” and insert “(d)”.
On page 2, delete lines 16 through 45.
On page 3, delete lines 1 through 13 and insert:
“SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Land Conservation and Development, in consultation
with the Department of State Lands and relevant local governments and tribal governments,
shall review the part of the Territorial Sea Plan that addresses the placement of cables,
pipelines and other utilities in the territorial sea. The review must consider fee structures
and state and federal review processes, including permitting processes, for the placement of
undersea cables on state-owned submerged or submersible land within the territorial sea and
under the ocean shore and the siting of associated landing sites. The Department of Land
Conservation and Development shall provide the results of the review to the Ocean Policy
Advisory Council.
“(2) The Ocean Policy Advisory Council shall develop recommendations for amendments
to the part of the Territorial Sea Plan that addresses the placement of cables, pipelines and
other utilities in the territorial sea. In developing recommendations, the council shall con-sider
the review provided to the council under subsection (1) of this section and evaluate:
“(a) A coordinated permitting process for the placement of undersea cables that allows
for coordination between appropriate state agencies, tribal governments and local govern-
ments.
“(b) Suitable landing sites, including a mapping analysis of opportunities, limitations and
requirements for landing sites.
“(c) The impact of other state agencies, laws, zoning requirements or statewide planning
goals on potential undersea cable sites.
“(d) Changes to fees structures and financing associated with administrative costs and
the protection and management of the territorial sea and ocean shore.
“(e) Requirements for public information meetings or other methods for engaging com-
munities, tribal governments, ocean users and industries affected by a proposed undersea
cable.
“(f) The impact of drilling on biological resources, including migratory species, and on
resources that are of economic, aesthetic, recreational, social or historic importance to the
people of this state.

“(g) An application process that may include:

“(A) A needs analysis that takes into account the socioeconomic and environmental needs of the area;

“(B) A geological study conducted by a registered professional geologist experienced in coastal processes;

“(C) Consultation with Oregon sea floor experts, such as an expert affiliated with an Oregon university; and

“(D) A detailed drilling, mitigation and accident response plan.

“(h) Requirements for interagency preapplication process meetings.

“(i) Standards for undersea cables in the States of California and Washington.

“(j) Coordination with tribal governments on potential impacts of undersea cables on cultural and traditional resources.

“(3) The council may consult with any of the following state agencies when developing recommendations for amendments under this section:

“(a) The State Parks and Recreation Department;

“(b) The Department of Environmental Quality;

“(c) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife;

“(d) The State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries; or

“(e) Any other state agency with relevant expertise.”.

After line 22, insert:

“SECTION 6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the General Fund appropriation made to the Department of Land Conservation and Development by section 1 (1), chapter _______, Oregon Laws 2021 (Enrolled Senate Bill 5530), for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, is increased by $497,081 for the implementation of section 2 of this 2021 Act.

“SECTION 7. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of $196,176 is established, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, as the maximum limit for payment of expenses from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds, federal funds and funds described in section 2, chapter _______, Oregon Laws 2021 (Enrolled Senate Bill 5539), collected or received by the Department of State Lands, for the implementation of section 2 of this 2021 Act.”.

In line 23, delete “6” and insert “8”.


