

Requested by Representative SMITH DB

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 3375**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 7, after “communities” insert “,  
2 tribes”.

3 After line 11, insert:

4 “Whereas floating offshore wind turbines can be located in much greater  
5 depths and further from the shore than fixed bottom offshore wind turbines  
6 and can be designed to minimize conflicts with and multiply benefits to  
7 Oregon’s fishing communities; and”.

8 On page 2, line 11, after “fishers” insert “, as shared ocean users,”.

9 Delete lines 24 through 45 and delete pages 3 through 5 and insert:

10 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Legislative Assembly finds that:**

11 **“(a) Oregon offshore wind holds tremendous potential and promise**  
12 **for this state to diversify its energy portfolio.**

13 **“(b) Oregon has an opportunity to participate in a growing global**  
14 **market by contributing to the development of the nascent offshore**  
15 **wind energy supply chain.**

16 **“(c) An intergovernmental task force led by the Bureau of Ocean**  
17 **Energy Management has reengaged and is expected to reveal offshore**  
18 **wind call areas in 2021 for the development of floating offshore wind**  
19 **energy within the federal waters off the Oregon coast.**

20 **“(d) Oregon has an opportunity to participate in holistic west coast**  
21 **planning for the strategic integration of floating offshore wind energy**

1 within the next decade and to position itself for potential market ex-  
2 pansion thereafter.

3 “(e) The Department of Land Conservation and Development has  
4 an established role as the lead state agency coordinating with the  
5 federal process for floating offshore wind development and, as the lead  
6 agency of the federally approved Oregon Coastal Management Pro-  
7 gram, the department implements the state’s federal consistency au-  
8 thority pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 and  
9 associated federal regulations. The department implements federal  
10 consistency review by evaluating federal activities for compliance with  
11 state enforceable policies and their reasonably foreseeable effects to  
12 coastal uses and resources of the Oregon coastal zone, and the de-  
13 partment will coordinate with networked agency and local government  
14 partners to evaluate floating offshore wind development activities for  
15 consistency with the Oregon Coastal Management Program.

16 “(f) The Oregon Business Development Department has established  
17 a leadership role in facilitating attracting the floating offshore wind  
18 energy industry to this state and in facilitating floating offshore wind  
19 energy supply chain development.

20 “(g) Understanding the impacts, benefits, opportunities and barriers  
21 of floating offshore wind energy with respect to Oregon’s fishing  
22 communities, ocean and shore-side recreational users, tribes, ports,  
23 coastal ecosystems, natural resources, manufacturing industry, mari-  
24 time sector, disaster recovery planning, workforce development and  
25 electricity ratepayers can maximize the benefits to this state, while  
26 minimizing the conflicts between floating offshore wind energy, the  
27 ocean ecosystem and ocean users.

28 “(h) Defining a pathway for Oregon to take advantage to the fullest  
29 extent possible of the federal offshore wind investment tax credit and  
30 other federal infrastructure investment programs that could benefit

1 Oregon's ports and transmission system can facilitate immediate eco-  
2 nomic investments as well as long term ratepayer savings.

3 "(i) Understanding the feasibility of using offshore wind as a clean  
4 power source for the future in-state generation of renewable fuel such  
5 as renewable hydrogen will strengthen state and regional energy  
6 decarbonization planning scenarios.

7 "(j) Investigating potential mechanisms to integrate floating off-  
8 shore wind energy into Oregon's future energy mix will strengthen  
9 state and regional energy decarbonization strategies.

10 "(2) In furtherance of the findings set forth in subsection (1) of this  
11 section, the Legislative Assembly finds and declares that:

12 "(a) It is the goal of this state to plan for the development of up  
13 to three gigawatts of floating offshore wind energy projects within the  
14 federal waters off the Oregon coast by 2030;

15 "(b) It is further the goal of this state that the planning described  
16 in this subsection be conducted in a manner that will maximize bene-  
17 fits to this state while minimizing conflicts between floating offshore  
18 wind energy, the ocean ecosystem and ocean users; and

19 "(c) Consistent with applicable federal law, it shall be the policy  
20 position of the State of Oregon that:

21 "(A) Any federal planning or permitting process for offshore energy  
22 research and development in federal waters off the Oregon coast and  
23 for any related transmission and other facilities, particularly those  
24 that transverse Oregon's territorial sea, shall adequately consider the  
25 prompt decommissioning of any offshore facility after permanent ces-  
26 sation of use of the facility; and

27 "(B) Adequate consideration as described in this paragraph must  
28 include consideration of the removal or decommissioning of anchors,  
29 cables and any other equipment related to the facility in a manner  
30 that will serve to avoid future conflicts between the equipment and

1 fishing operations conducted by persons who hold licenses issued pur-  
2 suant to the commercial fishing laws.

3 **“SECTION 2. (1) The State Department of Energy shall conduct a**  
4 **literature review on the benefits and challenges of integrating up to**  
5 **three gigawatts of floating offshore wind energy into Oregon’s electric**  
6 **grid by 2030.**

7 **“(2) In addition to conducting the literature review required by this**  
8 **section, the State Department of Energy shall:**

9 **“(a) Gather input and consult with other interested or appropriate**  
10 **state, regional and national entities, including but not limited to the**  
11 **Department of Land Conservation and Development, the Oregon**  
12 **Business Development Department, the State Department of Fish and**  
13 **Wildlife, the Public Utility Commission, the Northwest Power and**  
14 **Conservation Council, the Bonneville Power Administration, the Bu-**  
15 **reau of Ocean Energy Management, the National Renewable Energy**  
16 **Laboratory, the United States Department of Defense and the Pacific**  
17 **Northwest National Laboratory, on the effects, including benefits and**  
18 **challenges, of integrating up to three gigawatts of floating offshore**  
19 **wind energy on reliability, state renewable energy goals, jobs, equity**  
20 **and resilience; and**

21 **(b) Hold no less than two public remote meetings with interested**  
22 **stakeholders to provide a summary of the literature review and con-**  
23 **sultation required by this section and to gather feedback from**  
24 **stakeholders on the benefits and challenges of integrating up to three**  
25 **gigawatts of floating offshore wind energy into Oregon’s electric grid.**

26 **“(3) The State Department of Energy shall provide a summary of**  
27 **the key findings from the literature review and consultation required**  
28 **by this section, including opportunities for future study and engage-**  
29 **ment, in a report and in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, to the**  
30 **appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later**

1 than September 15, 2022.

2 **“SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2,**  
3 **2023.**

4 **“SECTION 4. This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the**  
5 **date on which the 2021 regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative**  
6 **Assembly adjourns sine die.”**

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