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**To:** House Interim Committee on Climate, Energy, and Environment  
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**Subject:** 2024 Committee Legislative Concepts

**LC 116** would implement a Landowners Living with Beavers Grant Program through grant awards, technical assistance, and fund administration; direct the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Advisory Committee to make recommendations about the Grant Program; require the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Advisory Committee to submit a report on the status and outcomes of activities funded under the Grant Program; and appropriate \$1.5 million for the Grant Program (dated 1/9/24).

**LC 117** would define a battery energy storage system (BESS); permit a BESS developer to use the Energy Facility Siting Council to site the BESS; and allow a BESS, when sited in conjunction with another facility, to not require a separate site certificate (dated 12/28/23).

**LC 127** would modify the Prescribed Fire Liability Pilot Program; extend the deadline for the Fire Hardening Grant Program to December 31, 2025; and establish a fund related to smoke preparedness and response (dated 1/9/24).