SUMMARY

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Requires Department of Environmental Quality to study both requirements related to subsurface and alternative sewage disposal systems that create barriers to siting and construction of accessory dwelling units in areas outside urban growth boundary and solutions to eliminate barriers. Directs department to submit findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to environment no later than September 15, 2024.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:
(a) “Accessory dwelling unit” has the meaning given that term in ORS 215.501.
(b) “Alternative sewage disposal system” has the meaning given that term in ORS 454.605.
(c) “Subsurface sewage disposal system” has the meaning given that term in ORS 454.605.
(2) The Department of Environmental Quality shall study, for areas of this state outside of an urban growth boundary:
(a) Requirements related to subsurface sewage disposal systems and alternative sewage disposal systems that create barriers to the siting and construction of accessory dwelling units; and
(b) Solutions that will eliminate the barriers described in paragraph (a) of this subsection and provide increased options for the siting and construction of accessory dwelling units.
(3) The department shall report its findings in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than September 15, 2024.

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 Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2025.

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

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