House Bill 3418

Sponsored by Representative OWENS; Representatives ANDERSEN, HELM, Senator GOLDEN

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Extends to January 2, 2029, sunset of program for provision of rebate for construction or installation of solar electric system or paired solar and storage system, for residential customer or low-income service provider, on real property in Oregon. Modifies definition of "paired solar and storage system."

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to State Department of Energy incentive programs; amending sections 1 and 5, chapter 655,

3 Oregon Laws 2019.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 5, chapter 655, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

6 Sec. 5. (1) Sections 1 to 4, chapter 655, Oregon Laws 2019, [of this 2019 Act] are repealed on

7 January 2, [2024] **2029**.

- 8 (2) Any moneys remaining in the Rooftop Solar Incentive Fund on the date of the repeal speci-
- 9 fied in subsection (1) of this section that are unexpended, unobligated and not subject to any conditions shall be transferred to the General Fund.

11 SECTION 2. Section 1, chapter 655, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

12 Sec. 1. As used in sections 1 to 4, chapter 655, Oregon Laws 2019 [of this 2019 Act]:

(1) "Contractor" means a person whose trade or business consists of offering for sale solar
 electric systems or paired solar and storage systems or of providing construction, installation or
 design services for solar electric systems or paired solar and storage systems.

(2) "Electric utility" has the meaning given that term in ORS 757.600.

17 (3) "Energy storage system" means commercially available technology that is capable of retain-18 ing energy, storing the energy for a period of time and transmitting the energy after storage.

(4) "Low-income service provider" means a nonresidential customer that provides health, dental,
social, financial, energy conservation or other assistive services to low or moderate income persons
or low or moderate income households, as further defined by the State Department of Energy by
rule.

(5) "Net cost" means the actual cost of the purchase, construction and installation of a solar
electric system or a paired solar and storage system, minus any incentive received for the system
from the electric utility serving the customer for which the system is installed.

(6) "Paired solar and storage system" means a solar electric system and an energy storage system purchased **together**, constructed and installed [*together*] by the same contractor and paired such that the energy storage system provides storage capacity for electrical energy produced by the solar electric system.

30 (7) "Solar electric system" means any system, mechanism or series of mechanisms, including

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1 photovoltaic systems, that uses solar radiation to generate electrical energy.

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