

Senate Bill 15

Sponsored by Senator GORSEK (Pre-session filed.)

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**.

Requires Public Utility Commission to study leasing or acquiring right of way for generation, transmission or distribution of electricity generated using solar energy. Directs commission to submit findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to energy no later than September 15, 2024.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to solar energy.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Public Utility Commission shall study how a person who generates**
5 **or wants to generate electricity using solar energy may lease or otherwise acquire a right**
6 **of way for purposes of siting equipment or devices necessary for the generation, trans-**
7 **mission or distribution of the electricity. The commission shall submit a report in the man-**
8 **ner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim**
9 **committees of the Legislative Assembly related to energy no later than September 15, 2024.**

10 **(2) As used in subsection (1) of this section, "person" means an individual, partnership,**
11 **joint venture, private or public corporation, association, firm, public service company, poli-**
12 **tical subdivision, municipal corporation, government agency, people's utility district, or any**
13 **other entity, public or private, however organized.**

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 Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2025.**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