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Requested by Representative GRAYBER

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2571

1 On <u>page 1</u> of the printed bill, line 2, after "bicycles" insert "; and pre-2 scribing an effective date".

3 Delete lines 4 through 31 and delete page 2 and insert:

4 "SECTION 1. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2023 Act are added to and 5 made a part of ORS chapter 468.

6 **"SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section:**

"(a) 'Area median income' means the median income for the metropolitan statistical area in which a household is located or, if the household is not located within a metropolitan statistical area, for the metropolitan statistical area in closest proximity to the location of the household, as determined by the Housing and Community Services Department, adjusted for household size.

"(b) 'Qualifying electric bicycle' means an electric assisted bicycle,
as defined in ORS 801.258, that has a minimum retail sales price of
\$950.

"(c) 'Qualifying household' means a household with income less
 than or equal to 80 percent of the area median income.

"(d) 'Qualifying retailer' means a retail business establishment ap proved by the administrator of the program established under this
 section.

21 "(2) The Department of Environmental Quality shall establish a

program for providing rebates for the purchase of qualifying electric bicycles. The department may hire or contract with a third-party organization to implement and serve as the administrator of the program required by this section.

"(3) Rebates under the program shall be made from moneys credited
to or deposited in the Electric Bicycle Incentive Fund established under section 3 of this 2023 Act.

8 "(4) Rebates under the program shall be:

9 **"(a) \$400; or**

"(b) For individuals from qualifying households, \$1,200 or the pur chase price of the qualifying electric bicycle minus \$200, whichever is
 less.

"(5)(a) To be eligible for a rebate, an individual must be an Oregon
 resident and at least 16 years of age.

"(b) An individual may not receive more than one rebate under the
 program.

"(6)(a) An individual may apply to the administrator of the program
to receive a voucher that demonstrates the individual's eligibility for
a rebate under the program. A rebate application must include the
following information for the individual:

21 **"(A) Name;**

22 **"(B) Age;**

23 "(C) Electronic mail address;

24 "(D) Proof of Oregon residence; and

"(E) If the individual is applying for the rebate as an individual
 from a qualifying household, proof of household income.

"(b) In addition to the information required under paragraph (a) of
this subsection, an individual may be asked to voluntarily provide:

29 "(A) Demographic information that includes the individual's:

30 "(i) Race or ethnicity;

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2 "(iii) Veteran status; or

3 "(iv) Disability status.

4 "(B) Information regarding the individual's anticipated use of the
5 qualifying electric bicycle.

6 "(c) Upon approval of the rebate application, the program adminis-7 trator shall issue a rebate voucher to the individual that includes a 8 code or other identifier that is unique to the individual.

9 "(7) The program administrator may conduct annual surveys to 10 determine how individuals' actual use of qualifying electric bicycles 11 compares to individuals' anticipated use reported under subsection (6) 12 of this section.

"(8) The program administrator shall establish a web-based system
 that:

"(a) Includes a searchable database that provides for each individ ual who has been approved for a rebate under the program:

17 "(A) The individual's name and electronic mail address.

"(B) The dates on which the individual's rebate application was
 made and was approved.

20 "(C) The type and status of the rebate voucher the individual was 21 approved for.

"(D) Optional demographic information provided to the department,
 if any.

24 "(b) A means for a qualifying retailers to:

"(A) Access the database to verify the rebate amount an individual
 has been approved for; and

"(B) Submit a request for reimbursement after providing the rebate
to an individual at the time the individual purchases a qualifying
electric bicycle.

30 "(9) A retailer must be approved by the program administrator as

a qualifying retailer before participating in the rebate program. To be
approved as a qualifying retailer, a retailer must:

3 "(a) Have one or more retail stores located in this state;

4 "(b) Offer for sale and provide in-store repairs of qualifying electric
5 bicycles; and

6 "(c) Allow an employee or representative of the program adminis-7 trator to inspect the retailer's retail store to confirm the retailer's 8 eligibility.

9 "(10)(a) To claim the rebate, an individual shall present the rebate
10 voucher to a qualifying retailer at the time of purchase of a qualifying
11 electric bicycle.

12 "(b) A qualifying retailer presented with a rebate voucher shall:

"(A) Confirm the status and amount of the rebate using the
 searchable database established by the program administrator;

15 **"(B) Confirm the identity of the rebate recipient; and**

"(C) Subtract the rebate amount from the purchase price of the
 qualifying electric bicycle.

"(11) The Department of Environmental Quality shall reimburse a
 qualifying retailer that provides a rebate to an individual no later than
 60 days after the rebate is provided.

"(12) The Environmental Quality Commission may adopt any rules
 necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

23 "<u>SECTION 3.</u> (1) The Electric Bicycle Incentive Fund is established
24 in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund.
25 Interest earned by the Electric Bicycle Incentive Fund shall be cred26 ited to the fund.

"(2) Moneys in the Electric Bicycle Incentive Fund shall consist of:
"(a) Amounts donated to the fund;

29 "(b) Amounts appropriated or otherwise transferred to the fund by
 30 the Legislative Assembly;

"(c) Other amounts deposited in the fund from any public or private
source; and

3 "(d) Interest earned by the fund.

"(3) Moneys in the Electric Bicycle Incentive Fund are continuously
appropriated to the Department of Environmental Quality to be used
to carry out the provisions of section 2 of this 2023 Act.

"(4) No more than 10 percent of the moneys deposited in the fund
per biennium may be expended to pay administrative expenses incurred in the administration of section 2 of this 2023 Act by:

10 "(a) The department; and

"(b) Any third-party organization that the department hires or
 contracts with under section 2 of this 2023 Act.

13 "SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-14 ation, there is appropriated to the Department of Environmental 15 Quality, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General 16 Fund, the amount of \$6,000,000, for deposit in the Electric Bicycle In-17 centive Fund established under section 3 of this 2023 Act, which must 18 be expended as follows:

"(1) \$2,000,000 for the provision of rebates to individuals from qual ifying households under section 2 of this 2023 Act.

"(2) \$4,000,000 for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 2 of this 2023 Act.

"<u>SECTION 5.</u> This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the
 date on which the 2023 regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative
 Assembly adjourns sine die.".

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