

HB 3597 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Climate, Energy, and Environment

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to study electric vehicles; directs DEQ to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than September 15, 2026; and sunsets the study and reporting requirements on January 2, 2027.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 The amendment would modify rebate amounts and eligibility and program requirements for electric vehicle programs in Oregon.

- **FISCAL:** *Lite Fiscal Impact statement issued*
- **REVENUE:** *No Revenue Impact*

BACKGROUND:

There are several types of electric vehicles (EVs) on the market today, including vehicles that are partially or fully powered by electricity or other fuels and other modes of transportation such as scooters, motorcycles, trains, and airplanes. The Department of Environmental Quality administers EV rebate programs in the state.