AN ACT

Relating to comprehensive energy reporting; creating new provisions; and repealing ORS 469.060 and 469.070.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 469.060 and 469.070 are repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 3 of this 2017 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 469.010 to 469.155.

SECTION 3. (1) No later than November 1 of every even-numbered year, the State Department of Energy shall transmit to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly a comprehensive report on energy resources, policies, trends and forecasts in Oregon. The purposes of the report shall be to inform local, state, regional and federal energy policy development, energy planning and energy investments, and to identify opportunities to further the energy policies stated in ORS 469.010 and 469.310.

(2) Consistent with the legislatively approved budget, the report shall include, but need not be limited to, data and information on:

(a) The consumption, generation, transmission and production of energy, including fuel energy;
(b) Energy costs;
(c) Energy sectors, markets, technologies, resources and facilities;
(d) Energy efficiency and conservation;
(e) The effects of energy use, including effects related to greenhouse gas emissions;
(f) Local, state, regional and federal regulations, policies and planning activities related to energy; and
(g) Emerging energy opportunities, challenges and impacts.

(3) The report may include, but need not be limited to:

(a) Recommendations for the development and maximum use of cost-effective conservation methods and renewable resources, consistent with the energy policies stated in ORS 469.010 and 469.310 and, where appropriate, the energy plan and fish and wildlife program adopted by the Pacific Northwest Electric Power and Conservation Planning Council pursuant to P.L. 96-501; and

(b) Recommendations for proposed research, development and demonstration projects and programs necessary to further the energy policies stated in ORS 469.010 and 469.310.
(4) The report shall be compiled by collecting, organizing and refining data and information acquired by the department in the performance of its existing duties and under its existing authority.

(5)(a) This section is not intended to allow disclosure of records exempt from disclosure under ORS 192.410 to 192.505.

(b) The department shall establish procedures for the development and compilation of the report that:

(A) Allow for a person to request the exclusion from the report of specific data or information submitted by the person to the department and to provide, in the request, reasoning as to why the data or information is exempt from disclosure under ORS 192.410 to 192.505; and

(B) Protect data and information that the department determines to be exempt from disclosure in accordance with ORS 192.505.

(c) The department may utilize data and information that is exempt from disclosure under ORS 192.410 to 192.505 in compilation or analysis that is included in the report, provided that the exempt data and information is not disclosed in a manner that is individually identifiable.

(6) Upon request from the department, other agencies shall assist the department in the performance of its duties under this section.

(7) The department shall seek public input and provide opportunities for public comment during the development of the report.

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