House Bill 2571

Sponsored by Representatives GRAYBER, GAMBA (Presession 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.**

Directs Department of Environmental Quality to establish program for providing rebates to qualifying individuals who purchase electric assisted bicycles or cargo electric bicycles and qualifying equipment.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to electric bicycles.

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- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:
- (a) "Cargo electric bicycle" means an electric assisted bicycle that satisfies three out of four of the following requirements:
 - (A) The bicycle has a published total weight capacity rating of 400 pounds or greater.
 - (B) The bicycle has an extended frame designed to carry additional containers, bags or passengers or has a cargo rack included as a standard component.
- (C) The bicycle has one or more attachment points to support the installation of additional racks, baskets or seats.
 - (D) The bicycle is advertised as a "cargo" or "utility" bicycle.
- (b) "Electric assisted bicycle" has the meaning given that term in ORS 801.258.
- 14 (c) "Qualifying equipment" means a:
- 15 (A) Bicycle helmet;
- 16 (B) Safety vest;
 - (C) Bicycle light; or
- 18 **(D) Bicycle lock.**
 - (d) "Qualifying individual" means an individual 16 years of age or older who is a resident of this state.
 - (e) "Qualifying retailer" means a retail business establishment with one or more retail locations in this state that has registered with the Department of Environmental Quality to participate in the rebate program established under this section.
 - (f) "Total weight capacity" means the combined weight of a bicycle, rider and cargo.
 - (2) The Department of Environmental Quality shall establish a program for providing rebates to qualifying individuals who purchase electric assisted bicycles or cargo electric bicycles and any qualifying equipment.
 - (3) To qualify for the rebate under this section, a qualifying individual must purchase an electric assisted bicycle or cargo electric bicycle and qualifying equipment, if any, from a qualifying retailer in this state. The electric assisted bicycle or cargo electric bicycle must have a minimum retail sales price of \$950. Qualifying equipment must be purchased as part

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.

- 1 of the same transaction as the electric assisted bicycle or cargo electric bicycle.
 - (4) The rebate provided to qualifying individuals shall be:
 - (a) For electric assisted bicycles other than cargo electric bicycles, the lesser of:
- 4 (A) The total purchase price of the electric assisted bicycle and any qualifying equipment 5 minus \$200; or
 - (B) \$1,200.

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- (b) For cargo electric bicycles, the lesser of:
- 8 (A) The total purchase price of the cargo electric bicycle and any qualifying equipment 9 minus \$200; or
 - **(B)** \$1,700.
 - (5) A qualifying retailer must register with the department before participating in the rebate program. A qualifying retailer shall:
 - (a) Verify the eligibility of the qualifying individual; and
 - (b) Calculate and apply the rebate at the time of purchase.
 - (6) The department shall reimburse a qualifying retailer that provides a rebate to a qualifying individual no later than 30 days after the rebate is provided.
 - (7) A rebate recipient shall provide demographic information, including the individual's age, gender, race, ethnicity and zip code, to the department on a form provided by the department at the time of receiving the rebate.
 - (8) A rebate recipient must maintain ownership of the electric assisted bicycle or electric cargo bicycle for at least one year after receiving the rebate.
 - (9) The Environmental Quality Commission may adopt any rules necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Environmental Quality, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$6,000,000, which may be expended for carrying out the provisions of section 1 of this 2023 Act.

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