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An act to add Article 2 (commencing with Section 81610) and Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 81620) to Chapter 3 of Part 49 of the Education Code, to add Article 6 (commencing with Section 14710) to Chapter 2 of Part 5.5 and Article 4 (commencing with Section 15350) to Chapter 1 of Part 6.7 of Division 3 of Title 2 of, the Government Code, to amend Sections 26003 and 26011.5 of, to add Section 26011.6 to, to add Chapter 5.35 (commencing with Section 25437) to Division 15 of, and to add and repeal Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 14420) of Division 12 of, the Public Resources Code, to amend Section

739 of, to amend, repeal, and add Section 2827 of, and to add Sections 739.10 and 739.11 to to add Sections 739.10, 2827.5, and 2827.7 to, and to add and repeal Section 739.11 of, the Public Utilities Code, relating to energy, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 29, as amended, Kehoe. Energy.

(1) Existing law establishes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission in the Resources Agency, and grants it authority with respect to various energy efficiency measures and programs. Existing law generally permits public agencies to develop energy conservation, cogeneration, and alternative energy supply sources at their facilities in order to promote all feasible means of energy and water conservation. Existing law also generally requires public agencies to meet specified requirements regarding service, consulting, architectural, and engineering contracts, and requires those contracts to be approved by the Department of General Services.

This bill would enact, until January 1, 2002, the Summer 2001 Energy Efficiency Projects by Community College Districts program, which would fund the implementation of energy conservation, efficiency, cogeneration, and alternate energy supply sources by community college districts on public property. The bill would require a community college district to request proposals prior to awarding or entering into a contract, agreement, or lease, and would require the district to award each contract based on the consideration of specified qualifications. The bill would exempt energy projects from specified requirements imposed on contracts entered into by public agencies. The bill would authorize the exemption of any energy project proposed by a community college district from existing advertising and competitive bidding requirements if the director deems the exemption necessary, as specified.

The bill would require each community college district that receives funds from the program to provide a report to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, on or before January 1, 2002, and would require the chancellor to report that information to the Chairperson of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, the chairpersons of the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of each house of the Legislature, and the Governor by March 1, 2002.

By imposing additional duties on community college districts, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

This bill would establish the Statewide Energy Management Program to assist community college districts to achieve energy independence through the development of energy management plans, the construction of sustainable green buildings, the use of renewable or other distributed energy systems, and the expansion of statewide energy education programs and services, as prescribed. The bill would require the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, in consultation with the commission, to develop guidelines for this program.

The bill would require the chancellor to establish an advisory committee to provide recommendations regarding overall program development, resource development and deployment, and strategies for implementation and coordination of the program.

(2) Existing law establishes the Technology, Trade and Commerce Agency with specified powers and duties relating to economic development and science and technology. Existing law requires the energy commission to establish a small business energy assistance low-interest revolving loan program to fund the purchase of equipment for alternative technology energy projects for California's small businesses.

This bill would require the agency to administer the California Renewable Energy Loan Guarantee Program to guarantee loans made by financial institutions to eligible businesses for the permitting, manufacturing, acquisition, construction, or installation of renewable energy systems that are intended to decrease demand on the electricity grid.

(3) Existing law establishes the California Conservation Corps to conserve and develop natural resources, and enhance and maintain environmentally important lands and waters through the use of California's young women and men and to assist these youths in becoming productive adults. Existing law establishes the Department of Community Services and Development to provide a range of services and activities having a measurable and potentially major impact on causes of poverty, and to assist low-income individuals and families, migrants, and the elderly poor to obtain employment, education, income, housing, food, and emergency services.

This bill would create the Mobile Energy Efficiency Brigade, to be implemented by the corps and the department, to expand current

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weatherization, energy-efficiency, and rehabilitation programs in accordance with prescribed objectives. These provisions would remain in effect until January 1, 2003.

(4) Existing law requires the energy commission to administer a program of grants and loans with respect to energy efficiency measures and programs.

This bill would authorize the owner of any shopping center, defined by the bill to mean a group of 2 or more retail stores that use common parking facilities or that open to an enclosed common area or a retail store that is at least 1,500 square feet, to request an energy audit to be performed by an electrical corporation or local publicly owned electric utility and to apply to the energy commission for a loan for energy conservation projects identified by that audit. The bill would authorize the commission to disburse loans and establish procedures for the application, disbursement, and repayment of loans, as specified. The bill would limit eligibility for the loans to energy conservation projects that are implemented no later than October 31, 2001.

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This bill would also require the energy commission to administer a grant and loan program for eligible construction or retrofit projects, as defined, and the Small Business Energy Efficient Refrigeration Loan Program established by the bill.

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(5) The existing Energy Conservation Assistance Act of 1979, until January 1, 2011, permits a school, hospital, public care institution, or unit of local government to submit an application to the energy commission for a loan of funds for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the costs incurred in implementing a project, as defined, including an energy conservation project.

This bill would establish the Energy Conservation Act of 2001 to establish energy efficiency incentives in the form of grants and loans to low-income residents, small businesses, and residential property owners.

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(6) Existing law establishes the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority and prescribes the duties of the authority with respect to, among other things, promoting prompt and efficient development of energy sources that are renewable or that more efficiently utilize and conserve scarce energy resources.

This bill would require the authority to establish a renewable energy program to provide 3% per annum loans *financial assistance* to public power entities, independent generators, utilities, or businesses manufacturing renewable energy generation components or systems, or both, to generate new and renewable energy sources, as defined, develop clean and efficient distributed generation, and demonstrate the economic feasibility of new technologies. The bill would require the authority to ensure that any financed project offer its power within California on a long-term contract basis.

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(7) Under existing law, the Public Utilities Commission requires every electrical and gas corporation to file a schedule of rates and charges providing baseline rates. In establishing these rates, existing law requires the commission to avoid excessive rate increases for residential customers, and to establish an appropriate gradual differential between the rates for the respective blocks of usage. Additionally, in establishing residential electric and gas rates, including baseline rates, existing law requires the commission to assure that the rates are sufficient to enable the electrical corporation or gas corporation to recover a just and reasonable amount of revenue from residential customers as a class, while observing the principle that electricity and gas services are necessities, for which a low affordable rate is desirable.

The bill would require the commission, at least until December 31, 2003, to require that all charges for residential electric customers are volumetric, and to prohibit any electrical corporation from imposing any charges on residential consumption that are independent of consumption unless the charges are in place prior to the effective date of the bill.

This bill would require the commission to make, on a periodic basis, for residential customers, adjustments that are necessary to eliminate any linkage between recovery of an electrical corporation's authorized revenues and its electrical sales.

The bill would also require the commission to until December 31, 2002, to ensure that errors in estimates of demand elasticity of sales do not result in material over or undercollections of the electrical corporations.

Because existing law makes any public utility that violates specified provisions regulating public utilities guilty of a misdemeanor, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program by creating a new crime.

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(8) Existing law exempts an electrical corporation that provides distribution service for direct transactions from the obligation to provide net energy metering to a customer, if the customer participates in direct transactions with an electric supplier that does not offer net energy metering, and authorizes an electrical corporation that provides distribution service for direct transactions to recover from the electric service provider of a customer that participates in direct transactions the incremental costs of metering and billing service related to net energy metering, in an amount set by the Public Utilities Commission. Existing law also establishes formulas for the calculation of net monthly consumption for eligible customer-generators taking service employing baseline, over baseline, and time use of rates. Existing law, for purposes of those provisions, defines the term "electric service provider" to include specified entities and defines "eligible customer-generator," to mean a residential customer, or a small commercial customer of an electric service provider.

This bill would revise the definition of an electric service provider, until June 1, 2002 January 1, 2003, to also include any other entity that provides electrical service. The bill would revise the definition of an eligible customer-generator, until June 1, 2002 January 1, 2003, to also include commercial, industrial, or agricultural customers of an electric service provider. The bill would eliminate, until June 1, 2002 January 1, 2003, certain requirements with respect to the information electric service providers are required to provide to the ratemaking authority relating to total rated generating capacity used by eligible customer-generators.

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(9) Existing law requires every electric service provider, upon request, to make available to eligible customer-generators contracts for net energy metering subject to specified limitations on the number of contracts.

This bill would eliminate the specified limitations on the number of contracts.

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(10) Existing law specifies that if a customer participates in direct transactions with an electric supplier that does not offer net energy metering, the electrical corporation that provides distribution service for the direct transactions is not obligated to provide net energy metering to the customer.

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This bill would, instead, specify that if a customer participates in direct transactions with an electric supplier that does not provide distribution service for the direct transactions, the electrical corporation that provides distribution service for an eligible customer-generator is not obligated to provide net energy metering to the customer.

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(11) Under existing law, the Emerging Renewable Resources Account is created in the Renewable Resource Trust Fund and specified portions of revenues collected by electrical corporations for the benefit of in-state operation and development of existing and new and emerging renewable resource technologies are required to be transmitted to the energy commission for deposit in the Renewable Resource Trust Fund. The money in the fund and the account is continuously appropriated to the energy commission for specified purposes, including a multiyear, consumer-based program to foster the development of emerging renewable technologies in distributed generation applications. Existing law requires this program to provide monetary rebates, buydowns, or equivalent incentives to purchasers, lessees, lessors, or sellers of eligible electricity generating systems and limits the incentives to a maximum percentage of the system price, as defined by the energy commission.

This bill would require the commission to expand existing programs to promote clean distribution generation technologies.

The bill would authorize the commission to increase the maximum rebate levels for certain distributed emerging technologies that have a peak capacity greater than 10 kilowatts, if the commission makes a specified determination.

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(12) Existing law authorizes the State Public Works Board to develop energy and water conservation and cogeneration and alternative energy and water supply sources at state facilities. Existing law requires the buildings acquired or constructed by the board to be operated and maintained by the board until they are placed under the jurisdiction of the Department of General Services or another state agency.

This bill would require the department to identify, from the department's state property inventory, all buildings where it is feasible to reduce energy consumption and achieve energy efficiencies, as well as to produce onsite electrical generation or reduce the level of

peak-period electrical consumption for that building using alternative energy equipment thermal energy storage or cogeneration equipment.

This bill would authorize the Director of General Services to enter into 3rd party agreements to implement energy efficiencies and feasible onsite electrical generation. The bill would authorize the director to enter into negotiated agreements to accomplish specified objectives relating to energy.

This bill would require the department to retrofit specified public buildings where feasible, provided that work on public buildings of the California State University is performed at the request or with the consent of the university.

This bill would require the department to prepare and submit to the Legislature and the Governor, a report of the energy savings, if any, in terms of megawatts per year, for each public building retrofitted on or before 2 years after the effective date of this bill, and every 2 years thereafter.

(13) This bill would limit administrative costs under the bill for participating agencies to $2^{1}/_{2}$ %, and would require prescribed reports to be filed with the Legislature and the Governor.

(14) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement, including the creation of a State Mandates Claims Fund to pay the costs of mandates that do not exceed \$1,000,000 statewide and other procedures for claims whose statewide costs exceed \$1,000,000.

This bill would provide that with regard to certain mandates no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

With regard to any other mandates, this bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs so mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

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(15) The bill would appropriate or reappropriate \$405,150,000 \$408,650,000 from specified funds to the Controller to be allocated in accordance with a specified schedule to accomplish the purposes of this bill.

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(16) The bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

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Vote: 2/3. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Article 2 (commencing with Section 81610) is 2 added to Chapter 3 of Part 49 of the Education Code, to read: 3 4 Article 2. Summer 2001 Energy Efficiency Projects By 5 **Community College Districts** 6 7 81610. It is the intent of the Legislature to permit community 8 college districts to implement energy conservation, efficiency, 9 cogeneration, and alternate energy supply sources on public property in accordance with this chapter in the most expedient 10 manner possible. It is also the intent of the Legislature that the 11 12 California Community College system take all steps necessary to ensure that the energy efficiency projects contemplated by this 13 chapter are in place by the summer of 2001. 14

15 81611. For the purposes of this article, "energy project" 16 means equipment, load management techniques, or other 17 measures or services that reduce energy consumption and provide 18 for more efficient use of energy in buildings or facilities owned or 19 operated by community college districts, and that can be 20 completed and energy savings realized by the summer of 2001 in 21 order to minimize the need for future state resources to pay for 22 increased energy costs.

23 81612. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, prior 24 to awarding, or entering into, any contract, agreement, or lease 25 pursuant to this article, a community college district shall request 26 proposals from qualified persons. After evaluating those 27 proposals, the community college district shall award contracts to 28 responsible persons or entities who submit responses to a request 29 for proposal which are responsive to the requirements of the 30 request for proposals. A community college may award a contract 31 for an energy project under this article to any responsible person 32 or entity timely submitting a responsive answer to the request for 33 proposals based on qualifications, including the consideration of 34 all of the following factors:

1 (1) Experience of the contractor, architect, engineer, or other 2 consultant, as applicable.

3 (2) Type of technology to be employed by the contractor on the 4 energy project.

5 (3) Cost to the district.

6 (4) Any other considerations deemed relevant by the district.

7 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, community 8 college districts may award contracts pursuant to a request for 9 proposals issued under this article or award contracts to persons or entities selected from the pool of qualified energy service 10 companies established pursuant to Section 388 of the Public 11 Utilities Code, when it is determined they are qualified to perform 12 13 the work on a particular project. A request for proposal does not 14 have to be prepared if a community college district elects to award a contract for an energy project to only those persons or entities 15 included in the pool of qualified energy service companies under 16 Section 388 of the Public Utilities Code. If a community college 17 18 district elects to seek proposals for an energy project pursuant to a request for proposals and from the pool of qualified energy 19 20 service companies under Section 388 of the Public Utilities Code, 21 the community college district shall prepare a request for 22 proposals. Award of such a contract shall be based upon the factors

23 described in subdivision (a).

81613. (a) Notwithstanding the repeal of this section by
Section 81615, on or before January 1, 2002, each community
college district receiving funds appropriated pursuant to this
section shall provide a report to the Chancellor of the California
Community Colleges with the following information:

20 (1) The amount of funding expanded

29 (1) The amount of funding expended.

30 (2) The measures, programs, or activities funded.

(3) A description of the effectiveness of the measures,
programs, or activities funded in reducing peak electricity demand
and improving energy efficiency, as measured in kilowatthours of
electricity or British thermal unit hours reduced per dollar
expended.

(b) Notwithstanding the repeal of this section by Section
81615, on or before March 1, 2002, the Chancellor of the
California Community Colleges shall provide a summary of the
reports provided pursuant to subdivision (a) to the Chairperson of
the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, to the chairpersons of the

appropriate policy and fiscal committees of both houses of the
 Legislature, and to the Governor.

81614. Any contracts entered into pursuant to this chapter by
a community college district are exempt from the following
requirements:

(a) Architectural, engineering, construction management, and
consulting contracts are exempt from Chapter 10 (commencing
with Section 4525) of Division 5 of Title 1 of the Government
Code.

10 (b) All contracts are exempt from Article 3.5 (commencing 11 with Section 81660).

(c) All contracts are exempt from the publication requirementsset forth in Section 81641.

14 (d) All contracts are exempt from Article 41 (commencing 15 with Section 20650) of Chapter 1 of Part 3 of Division 2 of the 16 Public Contract Code, except that if in the request for proposals for 17 an energy project under this article, a community college district 18 has established a requirement for bid security, a response to the 19 request for proposal will be deemed responsive only if the 20 response is submitted with the required bid security.

(e) If the value of a project awarded by a community collegedistrict to a contractor to implement an energy project under this

23 article is in excess of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000),

24 regardless of whether the requirement is noted in the request for

25 proposals, the contractor awarded such a contract shall obtain and 26 submit to such a community college district for approval of a

27 Labor and Materials Payment Bond conforming to the 28 requirements of Section 3248 of the Civil Code.

(f) If required by the terms of a request for proposals issued by
a community college district under this article, the person or entity
awarded such a contract shall obtain a performance bond
conforming with the applicable requirements of the request for

33 proposals.

34 81615. This article shall remain in effect only until January 1,35 2002, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,

that is enacted before January 1, 2002, deletes or extends that date.

37 SEC. 2. Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 81620) is

38 added to Chapter 3 of Part 49 of the Education Code, to read:

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1 2 Article 2.5. Statewide Energy Management Program

3 81620. This article shall be known, and may be cited, as the4 Statewide Energy Management Program.

5 81621. The definitions set forth in this section govern the 6 construction of this article:

7 (a) "Commission" means the State Energy Resources8 Conservation and Development Commission.

9 (b) "Energy independence" means the utilization of existing 10 and developing technologies to meet energy needs onsite, 11 including, but not necessarily limited to, the utilization of solar, 12 fuel cells, and other renewable and clean onsite energy sources, the 13 optimization of the use of daylighting, the use of passive solar 14 orientation, and the use of construction techniques that minimize 15 energy loss, such as appropriate insulation and lighting fixtures. 16 (c) "Energy management plans" means the plans that

16 (c) "Energy management plans" means the plans that 17 community colleges develop with guidance from the Statewide 18 Energy Management Program to implement energy efficiency 19 projects such as sustainable green buildings, renovations, and 20 wind or solar farms that will move the community colleges toward 21 energy independence.

(d) "Program" means the Statewide Energy Management
Program, established under this article, which is a state program
modeled after the Federal Energy Management Program.

(e) "Renewable or other distributed energy systems" means
alternative efficient sources of energy such as daylighting,
photovoltaic panels (rooftops or solar farms), passive solar
heating, fuel cells, and steam. Diesel-fueled electric generating
systems are not included in this definition.

30 (f) "Sustainable green building" means a building that has 31 been designed to reduce both direct and indirect environmental consequences associated with construction, occupancy, operation, 32 33 maintenance, and eventual decommissioning, and whose design is 34 evaluated for cost, quality of life, future flexibility, ease of maintenance, energy and resource efficiency, and overall 35 environmental impact, with an emphasis on life-cycle cost 36 37 analysis.

81622. (a) In consultation with the commission, the Board of
Governors of the California Community Colleges shall further
develop and refine certain guidelines for a Statewide Energy

Management Program that have been established under an 1 2 ongoing joint effort of the commission and DeAnza College. This 3 statewide effort shall allow community college districts to achieve energy independence through the development of energy 4 management plans, the construction of sustainable green 5 buildings, the use of renewable or other distributed energy 6 7 systems, and the expansion of statewide energy education 8 programs and services.

9 (b) By 2010, the program shall, at a minimum, facilitate the 10 completion of 20 district energy management plans, 150 11 renewable or other distributed energy systems, and 20 sustainable 12 green buildings on community college campuses statewide.

13 (c) In consultation with the commission, the board of 14 governors shall accomplish all of the following:

(1) Review and comment on academic, occupational, and
vocational education materials developed by the commission, the
Electric Power Research Institute, public utilities, and the
community colleges to improve energy education programs and
services.

(2) Review and recommend actions regarding successful
energy education programs and services that can be identified for
replication, personnel exchanges, or implementation of successful
practices.

(3) Review and recommend actions regarding program
 resources for use by the community colleges or state agencies in
 improving energy education programs and services.

(4) Review exemplary programs and facilities, and recommendactivities for adoption, replication, or policy advice.

(5) Review, comment, and recommend actions regardingservices that will effect energy conservation.

31 (6) Review and comment on funding requests received to32 improve or enhance energy education.

33 (7) Review and comment on occupational and vocational
34 training programs and services to meet current employment
35 standards in energy occupations.

36 81623. The board of governors shall encourage the 37 construction of community college sustainable green buildings 38 that implement energy efficiency, sustainable building concepts, 39 and solar electric, fuel cell, and other technologies. On the 40 effective date of this article, the board of governors shall

immediately seek a prototype sustainable green community
 college instructional building that can be a model for all new
 construction and retrofit projects statewide.

4 81624. The Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall establish an advisory committee for the Statewide 5 Energy Management Program, and determine the membership of 6 7 that committee. The advisory committee, with technical assistance 8 from the commission, shall make recommendations to the 9 chancellor regarding overall program development, resource development and deployment, and strategies for implementation 10 and coordination of the program. A leadership role on this 11 committee shall initially be provided by the staff of the 12 13 commission and DeAnza College who have been involved since 14 1992 in a joint effort to promote training, energy efficiency, and energy independence in the California Community Colleges. This 15 leadership role shall rotate to other community colleges as they 16 17 complete their own district energy management plans.

18 SEC. 2.5. Article 6 (commencing with Section 14710) is 19 added to Chapter 2 of Part 5.5 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the 20 Government Code, to read:

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Article 6. State Building Energy Retrofits

24 14710. As used in this article, the following terms have the25 following meanings:

(a) "Alternative energy equipment" means alternative energy 26 27 equipment, as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 15814.11, and, 28 in the case of fossil fuel generation, complies with emission 29 standards and guidance adopted by the State Air Resources Board pursuant to Sections 41514.9 and 41514.10 of the Health and 30 31 Safety Code. Prior to the adoption of those standards and guidance, 32 for the purposes of this article, distributed energy resources shall 33 meet emission levels equivalent to nine ppm oxides of nitrogen, 34 averaged over a three-hour period, or best available control 35 technology for the applicable air district, whichever is lower.

36 (b) "Cogeneration equipment" means equipment used for
37 cogeneration, as defined in Section 218.5 of the Public Utilities
38 Code.

39 (c) "Feasible" means capable of being accomplished in a40 successful manner within a reasonable period of time, taking into

1 account life-cycle costing analyses, and environmental, social,

2 and technological factors, however, renewable technologies shall3 not be exempt based solely on cost considerations.

4 (d) "Public building" means a public building, as defined in 5 Section 15802.

6 (e) "State agency" means any state agency, board, department 7 or commission, including, but not limited to, the entities specified 8 in subdivision (a) of Section 15814.12.

9 (a) The department in consultation with the State 14711.5. 10 Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, 11 with the concurrence of the Department of Finance, shall identify each public building in the department's state property inventory 12 13 where it is feasible for that building to reduce energy consumption 14 and achieve energy efficiencies, as well as to produce its own onsite electrical generation or reduce its level of peak demand 15 electricity consumption using alternative energy equipment, 16 17 thermal energy storage technologies, or cogeneration equipment. 18 (b) The department may consider a variety of factors, 19 including, but not limited to, the size of the public building, its 20 location, the ease of conversion to onsite electrical generation, 21 peak demand reduction efficiency, cost effectiveness, and the 22 amount of megawatts generated or shifted to off-peak periods.

23 14712. The director may enter into third party agreements that

24 the director determines are appropriate to implement energy that

25 the director, with the concurrence of the Department of Finance,

26 *determines are appropriate and cost-effective to implement energy* 27 efficiencies and feasible onsite electric generation pursuant to

28 Section 14711.5 and to achieve the goals of this section. The

29 director may enter into negotiated agreements with parties on the

30 terms and conditions that the director, with the concurrence of the

31 Department of Finance, deems are in the state's interests to

32 accomplish all of the following objectives:

(a) Reduce overall energy consumption in state facilities by 30percent.

(b) Achieve energy self-sufficiency at state facilities using
clean, modern technologies that produce zero air emissions or that
meet or exceed state air quality standards.

38 (c) Maximize the use of renewable energy technologies for39 both onsite electrical generation as well as thermal energy40 production.

(d) Utilize private third party financing, where feasible, for the 1 construction, operation, and maintenance of such energy 2 3 investments. (e) Achieve these objectives at delivered energy costs equal to 4 or less than the cost of obtaining the energy through the electric 5 grid or other conventional means, as determined by the director. 6 7 14713. (a) Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 15814.12, the department shall retrofit all public buildings, 8 9 identified in Section 14711.5, where feasible, provided that work on public buildings of the California State University shall be 10 11 performed only at the request or with the consent of the university. 12 (b) If a public building generates more electricity than it uses, 13 it may make the energy available for the state electrical 14 distribution grid. 14714. On or before two years after the effective date of the 15 16 act adding this section, and every two years thereafter, the Department of General Services shall prepare and submit to the 17 18 Legislature and the Governor, a report of the energy savings, if any, in terms of megawatts per year, for each public building 19 20 retrofitted pursuant to this article. 21 SEC. 3. Article 4 (commencing with Section 15350) is added 22 to Chapter 1 of Part 6.7 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government 23 Code, to read: 24 25 Article 4. Renewable Energy Loan Guarantee Program 26 27 15350. The Legislature finds and declares all of the 28 following: 29 (a) California is experiencing severe electrical shortages, 30 which endanger the health, safety, and economic development 31 opportunity of its citizens. (b) Immediate measures are needed to increase the electrical 32 generation capacity within California, including energy from 33 34 economical renewable systems. (c) California has been a leader in the development of 35 36 renewable energy systems, from solar to wind to the most 37 advanced fuel cell technology. (d) California must take all reasonable actions necessary to 38

38 (d) California must take all reasonable actions necessary to 39 encourage the continuing construction of renewable energy

infrastructure and to maximize reliable, renewable energy systems
 for homes and businesses.

3 (e) In order to maximize the commercial lending available to 4 renewable energy projects, it is necessary and appropriate to 5 establish a loan guarantee program to assist in obtaining 6 commercial loans to purchase and install renewable energy system 7 projects.

8 15351. For the purposes of this article, the following 9 definitions apply:

(a) "Eligible business" means an individual, corporation,
political body, partnership, joint venture, association, joint stock
company, trust, or unincorporated organization.

(b) "Financial institution" means a financial institution
organized, chartered, or holding a license or authorization
certificate under a law of this state or the United States to make
loans or extend credit, and subject to supervision by an official or
agency of this state or the United States.

18 (c) "Guarantee" means a written agreement between the 19 agency and a financial institution, by which the agency agrees to 20 pay a specified percentage of loan interest and principal for any 21 combination of the following: permitting, acquisition, 22 construction, or installation of one or more renewable energy 23 systems located in the state if the eligible business defaults on the loan and the financial institution complies with the terms of the 24 25 guarantee.

26 (d) "Loan" means a contract providing financing for a 27 renewable energy system.

28 (e) "Renewable energy system" means any device or 29 combination of devices, including distributed generation and 30 cogeneration that meets all of the following requirements:

31 (1) Conserves or produces one or more of the following:

- 32 (A) Heat.
- 33 (B) Process heat.
- 34 (C) Space heating.
- 35 (D) Water heating.
- 36 (E) Steam.
- 37 (F) Space cooling.
- 38 (G) Refrigeration.
- 39 (H) Mechanical energy.
- 40 (I) Electricity.

1 (J) Energy in any form convertible to any of the uses specified 2 in subparagraphs (A) to (I), inclusive.

(2) Does not expend or use conventional energy fuels, any fuel
derived from petroleum deposits, including, but not limited to, oil,
heating oil, gasoline, fuel oil, or natural gas, including liquified
natural gas, or nuclear fissionable materials, except as provided in
subsection (b) of Section 292.204 of Title 18 of the Code of
Federal Regulations.

9 (3) Uses one of more of the following renewable electricity 10 generation technologies:

11 (A) Biomass.

12 (B) Solar thermal.

13 (C) Photovoltaic.

14 (D) Wind.

15 (E) Geothermal.

16 (F) Small hydropower (30 megawatts or less).

17 (G) Digester gas.

18 (H) Landfill gas.

19 15352. (a) The agency, in consultation with the State Energy

20 Resources Conservation and Development Commission, shall

21 administer the California Renewable Energy Loan Guarantee

22 Program to guarantee loans made by financial institutions to

23 eligible businesses for the permitting, manufacturing, acquisition,

24 construction, or installation of renewable energy systems that are

25 intended to decrease the demand on the electricity grid.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, theCalifornia Renewable Energy Loan Guarantee Program shall not

be used to guarantee a loan for any small hydropower project that

29 will require a new or increased diversion from any natural stream,

30 lake, or other body of water, as described in Section 1200 of the

31 Water Code.

32 15353. (a) The secretary shall establish a Renewable Energy33 Loan Guarantee Committee for the purpose of approving loan

34 guarantees based upon the criteria and procedures established by

35 the agency. The secretary may include agency staff, the Director

36 of Finance, representatives of other state agencies, and

37 representatives of the public on the committee.

38 The secretary or his or her designee shall serve as the 39 chairperson of the committee.

40 (b) The committee shall do both of the following:

1 (1) Hold regularly scheduled meetings, at least quarterly, to 2 carry out the objectives and responsibilities of the committee.

3 (2) Approve loan guarantees under this article.

4 (c) The committee shall not approve any guarantee without a 5 determination that, at a minimum, the applicant appears able to 6 repay the guaranteed financing and the financing is adequately 7 collateralized.

8 15354. (a) The Renewable Energy Loan Guarantee 9 Committee shall comply with the California Public Records Act 10 (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7), 11 except as specified in subdivision (c).

12 (b) To the extent that the committee is subject to the 13 Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with 14 Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part (1), loan guarantee reviews 15 described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) shall be exempt from 16 the requirements of the act.

(c) The California Public Records Act and the Bagley- KeeneOpen Meeting Act shall not apply to the following activities of thecommittee:

20 (1) The disclosure of financial data contained in applications 21 for loan guarantees from the Renewable Energy Loan Guarantee 22 Committee, where the committee determines that disclosure of the 23 financial data would be competitively injurious to the applicant. 24 For this purpose, financial data includes, but is not limited to, 25 financial statements, details of accounts receivable and accounts 26 payable, income tax returns, owner-officer compensation records, 27 collateral details, cash-flow analysis, orders, contracts, financing 28 commitments and agreements, and other documents that would 29 disclose specific names or addresses of customers and suppliers, 30 potential customers and suppliers, or agency and consultant 31 reports analyzing the financial data. 32 (2) Any loan guarantee review by the Renewable Energy Loan 33 Guarantee Committee. For this purpose, the committee or a

subcommittee committee. For tims purpose, the committee of a
subcommittee of the committee may review and approve loan
guarantee requests by means of a telephone conference, or in a
meeting not open to the public.

15355. There is hereby created in the State Treasury the
Renewable Energy Loan Loss Reserve Fund. Notwithstanding
Section 13340, all money in the fund is continuously appropriated
without regard to fiscal years for the support of the agency and *All*

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1 money in the fund is appropriated for the support of the agency and

2 shall be available for expenditure for the purposes stated in this3 article. The fund shall be available for the receipt of federal, state,4 and local moneys, and private donations.

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15356. (a) The agency shall determine the percentage of the
reserve in the Renewable Energy Loan Loss Reserve Fund
required to secure loan guarantees made by the committee.
However, in no event shall the reserve be less than 25 percent of
the fund.

10 (b) The minimum amount that the agency may guarantee for 11 any renewable energy system is twenty-five thousand dollars 12 (\$25,000) and the maximum amount is two million dollars 13 (\$2,000,000). The agency may elect to lower or raise the minimum 14 or maximum amount if a change is found to be in the best interest 15 of the state.

16 (c) The term of the guaranteed loan shall not exceed the useful17 life of the renewable energy system or 15 years, whichever is18 shorter.

(d) The amount guaranteed shall not exceed 80 90 percent of
a loan, or an amount equal to the anticipated proportion of
renewable fuel usage to fuel the renewable energy system, as
authorized by paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 15351,
whichever is less.

24 15357. The agency shall adopt criteria and procedures for the implementation of this article. The criteria and procedures shall be 25 26 exempt from the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with 27 Section 11340) of Part 1. The criteria and procedures shall include 28 provisions for determining the maximum guarantee amount, 29 leverage, percentage guaranteed, guarantee term, and other 30 conditions of a guarantee. In developing the criteria and 31 procedures for the program, the agency may consult with other state agencies, including the State Energy Resources Conservation 32 33 and Development Commission. A consultation and public 34 comment period shall begin on the effective date of this article, and shall end 30 days thereafter. Notwithstanding the 120-day limit 35 specified in subdivision (e) of Section 11346.1, the regulations 36 37 shall be repealed 180 days after their effective date, unless the 38 department complies with Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2, as provided in subdivision 39 40 (e) of Section 11346.1.

15358. (a) The agency shall execute guarantees supported
 solely by funds in the Renewable Energy Loan Loss Reserve Fund.
 (b) No guarantee shall be approved unless the eligible business
 agrees that all electricity generated by the project will be made
 available within California on a long-term contract basis, except
 that electricity may be made available outside California upon
 approval by the Public Utilities Commission.

8 15359. (a) The agency shall establish a reasonable schedule 9 of administrative fees, not to exceed 2 percent of the guarantee 10 amount, which shall be paid by the eligible business to reimburse 11 the state for the costs of administering this article, including 12 promotion and outreach.

(b) The agency may expend earnings on the deposits from, or
up to 5 percent of, the Renewable Energy Loan Loss Reserve Fund
for administrative expenses, for the respective fiscal year
including promotion and outreach, in carrying out this chapter.

17 15360. The agency may contract with any state or other 18 agency, persons, or firms to enable the agency to properly perform 19 the duties of this article.

15361. The state shall not be liable or obligated in any way
beyond the money that is allocated to the Renewable Energy Loan
Loss Reserve Fund as a result of any loan guarantee under this
article.

15362. The agency, with the approval of the Director of
Finance, may request the Treasurer to invest the money in the
Renewable Energy Loan Loss Reserve Fund. Returns from these
investments shall be deposited in the fund and shall be used to
support this article.

29 15362.5. Because of the need to immediately increase the 30 availability of renewable energy sources, it is necessary to 31 implement this article without delay. Therefore, from the effective 32 date of this article, and for a period of 18 months thereafter, 33 Section 10295 and Article 4 (commencing with Section 10335) of 34 Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code shall 35 not apply to contracts entered into pursuant to this article. Any 36 contract that is entered into during that 18-month period shall be awarded based upon the receipt of at least three bids, and the award 37 38 shall be based on a combination of the expertise of the bidder, the 39 bid price, and the probability that the services offered will meet the 40 needs of the program.

SEC. 4. Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 14420) is added 1 to Division 12 of the Public Resources Code, to read: 2 3 CHAPTER 4. MOBILE EFFICIENCY BRIGADE 4 5 6 This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the 14420. 7 Mobile Efficiency Brigade. 8 14421. The Legislature finds and declares all of the 9 following: (a) California is in the midst of a dramatic energy crisis that 10 calls for both an increase in supply and a significant long-term 11 12 reduction in demand. (b) Conservation programs require a large mobilization effort 13 14 across the state, within a short timeframe, in order to affect peak demand anticipated for the summer of 2001 and the subsequent 15 16 winter. (c) California's low-income households and small businesses 17 18 require upgrading, modification, and conservation investment in order to assist them in contributing to a reduction in demand that 19 20 is required statewide. 21 (d) Current state programs can work in conjunction with 22 community-based organizations to significantly penetrate communities and rapidly implement programs aimed at 23 24 conservation and demand reduction. 25 (e) The state currently has programs operated and administered by the Department of Community Services and Development and 26 27 the California Conservation Corps, working in conjunction with 28 and through community-based organizations, that can be 29 expanded to assist in the statewide conservation effort initiated 30 through pending programs. 31 (f) To the maximum extent feasible, the expenditure of funds 32 appropriated pursuant to this chapter should be prioritized based 33 upon immediate benefits in peak energy demand reduction and 34 more efficient use of energy. 35 14422. As used in this chapter: (a) "Community-based organization" means a nonprofit 36 corporation that is exempt from income taxation under Section 37 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. 38 (b) "Program" means either of the following: 39

1 (1) The Energy Conservation Act of 2001 (Chapter 5.3 2 (commencing with Section 25425) of Division 15).

3 (2) Energy Conservation Loans to Shopping Centers (Chapter
 4 4.7 (commencing with Section 25370) of Division 15).

5 (c) "Energy efficient appliance or measure" means anything
6 that meets the federal Energy Star efficiency standards, as defined
7 by federal law, or is 15 percent more efficient than the state or
8 federal energy-efficiency standards.

9 (c) "Energy efficient appliance or measure" means anything 10 that meets the efficiency standards of the United States 11 Department of Energy that are effective on and after July 1, 2001, 12 and, if applicable, products certified as energy efficient zone 13 heating products by the State Energy Resources Conservation and 14 Development Commission.

(d) "Installation" means all labor needed to install energyefficient equipment, including any necessary construction.

17 (e) "Low-income household," in the context of the 18 implementation of a specific program, shall be defined as each 19 program specifies. Outside of a specific program, it means 20 households at or below 175 200 percent of the federal poverty 21 level.

(f) "Small business," in the context of the implementation of
a specific program, shall be defined as each program specifies.
Outside of a specific program, it means a licensed business that
employs not more than 100 persons.

26 14423. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the 27 California Conservation Corps and the Department of Community 28 Services and Development, in consultation with the State Energy 29 Resources Conservation and Development Commission, shall expand their current weatherization, energy-efficiency, and 30 31 rehabilitation programs and assist in the implementation of 32 pending programs as defined in Section 14422, in accordance with 33 the following objectives:

(a) Determine the specifics of program expansion and focus on
energy efficiency measures including, but not limited to, energy
audits, weatherization including the insulation of doors, windows,
walls and ceilings, light bulb replacement with subcompact
flourescent lights, installation of water-saving devices and heater
exchanges, minor repairs and retrofits, appliance removal and
replacement, and tree planting.

1	(b) Identify neighborhoods and areas with dense populations
2	that can be easily served in large numbers.
3	(c) Establish qualifications and priorities consistent with the
4	objectives of this chapter for making grants and working with
5	community-based organizations.
6	(d) Establish guidelines for broad geographic distribution
7	across the state, taking into consideration the factors of population
8	density, community need, and seasonal climate conditions.
9	(e) Establish procedures and policies as may be necessary for
10	the administration of this chapter.
11	14424. Any contracts entered into pursuant to this chapter by
12	a state agency are exempt from the following requirements of the
13	Government Code and the Public Contract Code:
14	(a) Services contracts and consulting services contracts are
15	exempt from Article 4 (commencing with Section 10335) of
16	Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code.
17	(b) All contracts are exempt from Section 10295 of the Public
18	Contract Code, relating to approval from the Department of
19	General Services.
20	(c) All contracts are exempt from Chapter 6 (commencing with
21	Section 14825) of Part 5.5 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the
22	Government Code, relating to advertising.
23	14425. This chapter shall remain in effect only until January
23 24 25	1, 2003, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted
25	statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2003, deletes or extends
26	that date.
27	SEC. 5. Chapter 5.3 (commencing with Section 25425) is
28	added to Division 15 of the Public Resources Code, to read:
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30	CHAPTER 5.3. ENERGY CONSERVATION ACT OF 2001
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32	Article 1. General Provisions
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34	25425. This chapter shall be known, and may be cited, as the $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{$
35	Energy Conservation Act of 2001.
36	25426. As used in this article, the following terms have the
37	following meanings:
38	(a) "Commercial refrigeration" means a refrigerator that is not
39	a federally regulated consumer product.

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(b) "Energy-efficient model" means an appliance that meets 1 2 federal Energy Star specifications set forth in _____. 3 (b) "Energy-efficient model" means any appliance that meets 4 the efficiency standards of the United States Department of Energy 5 that are effective on and after July 1, 2001, and, if applicable, products certified as energy efficient zone heating products by the 6 7 State Energy Resources Conservation and Development 8 Commission. 9 (c) "Small business" means any small business as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 14837 of the 10 11 Government Code. 12 13 Article 2. Loans and Grants for Construction and Retrofit 14 Projects 15 16 25433. It is the intent of the Legislature to establish incentives 17 in the form of grants and loans to low-income residents, small businesses, and residential property owners for constructing and 18 19 retrofitting buildings to be more energy efficient by using design elements, including, but not limited to, energy-efficient siding, 20 21 insulation, products certified as energy efficient zone heating 22 products by the State Energy Resources Conservation and 23 Development Commission, and double-paned windows. 24 25433.5. (a) In consultation with the Public Utilities 25 Commission, the commission shall do both of the following for the 26 purpose of full or partial funding of an eligible construction or 27 retrofit project: 28 (1) Establish a grant program to provide financial assistance to 29 eligible low-income individuals. 30 (2) Establish a 2-percent interest per annum loan program to 31 provide financial assistance to a small business owner, residential 32 property owner, or individual who is not eligible for a grant 33 pursuant to paragraph (1), and whose gross annual income. The 34 loans shall be available to a small business owner who has a gross 35 annual income that does not exceed one hundred thousand dollars 36 (\$100,000) or to an individual or residential property owner who 37 has a gross annual household income that does not exceed one 38 hundred thousand dollars (\$100.000). 39 (b) (1) The commission shall use the design guidelines 40 adopted pursuant to Section 25495 clause (ii) of subparagraph (D)

1 of paragraph (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 14 of the act that 2 added this section as standards to determine eligible 3 energy-efficiency projects.

4 (2) The award of a grant pursuant to this section is subject to 5 appeal to the commission upon a showing that the commission 6 applied factors, other than those adopted by the commission, in 7 making the award.

8 (3) The grant or loan recipient shall commit to using the grant 9 or loan for the purpose for which the grant or loan was awarded. 10 (4) Any action taken by an applicant to apply for, or to become 11 or remain eligible to receive, a grant award, including satisfying 12 conditions specified by the commission, does not constitute the 13 rendering of goods, services, or a direct benefit to the commission. 14 (5) The amount of any grant awarded pursuant to this article to a low-income individual does not constitute income for purposes 15 of calculating the recipient's gross income for the tax year during 16

17 which the grant is received.

18 25434. The commission may contract with one or more 19 business entities capable of supplying or providing goods or 20 services necessary for the commission to carry out the responsibilities for the programs conducted pursuant to this 21 22 article, and shall contract with one or more business entities to 23 evaluate the effectiveness of the programs implemented pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 25433.5. The commission may select 24 an entity on a sole source basis for one or both of those purposes 25 26 if the cost to the state will be reasonable and the commission 27 determines that it is in the best interest of the state.

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29 *25434.5.* As used in this article, the following terms have the 30 following meanings:

31 (a) "Eligible construction or retrofit project" means a project 32 for making improvements to a home or building in existence on the 33 effective date of the act adding this section, through an addition, 34 alteration, or repair, which effectively increases the energy 35 efficiency or reduces the energy consumption of the home or building as specified by the commission's guidelines under 36 37 Section 25495 *clause (ii) of subparagraph (D) of paragraph (3)* of subdivision (d) of Section 14 of the act that added this section. 38

39 The improvements shall be deemed to be cost-effective.

(b) "Low income" means an individual with a gross annual 1 2 income equal to or less than 200 percent of the federal poverty 3 level. (c) "Small business" means any small business as defined in 4 paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 14837 of the 5 Government Code. 6 7 8 Article 3. Small Business Energy Efficient Refrigeration Loan 9 Program

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11 25435. The commission shall administer the Small Business
12 Energy Efficient Refrigeration Loan Program, as provided for in
13 Section 25436.

14 25436. (a) Within 45 days of the effective date of this chapter,
15 the commission shall implement a Small Business Energy
16 Efficient Refrigeration Loan Program for qualifying small
17 businesses to purchase and install energy efficient refrigeration
18 equipment.

(b) The program shall offer loans at 3 percent interest on termsthat will ensure the small business owner will repay the loan over

21 time, out of the cash flow savings resulting from lower energy

22 bills. time in accordance with terms established by the Energy

23 *Commission, but in no event may the term exceed the useful life of* 24 *the purchase.*

(c) The commission may enter into agreements with lending
institutions and qualifying vendors to facilitate making and
administering loans. Any loan made by the commission for the
purchase of equipment shall be secured against the equipment
purchased.

30 (d) The commission shall adopt regulations establishing

31 procedures for loan applications that will expedite the loan process

32 and accelerate the installation of energy efficient refrigeration
 33 equipment.

34 SEC. 6. Section 26003 of the Public Resources Code is 35 amended to read:

36 26003. As used in this division, unless the context otherwise 37 requires:

38 (a) "Authority" means the California Alternative Energy and

39 Advanced Transportation Financing Authority established 40 pursuant to Section 26004, and any board, commission,

1 department, or officer succeeding to the functions of the authority,

2 or to which the powers conferred upon the authority by this3 division shall be given.

4 (b) "Cost" as applied to a project or portion thereof financed 5 under this division means all or any part of the cost of construction 6 and acquisition of all lands, structures, real or personal property or 7 an interest therein, rights, rights-of-way, franchises, easements, 8 and interests acquired or used for a project; the cost of demolishing 9 or removing any buildings or structures on land so acquired, including the cost of acquiring any lands to which those buildings 10 11 or structures may be moved; the cost of all machinery, equipment, and furnishings, financing charges, interest prior to, during, and 12 13 for a period after, completion of construction as determined by the 14 authority; provisions for working capital; reserves for principal and interest and for extensions, enlargements, additions, 15 replacements, renovations, and improvements; the cost of 16 architectural, engineering, financial, accounting, auditing and 17 legal services, plans, specifications, estimates, administrative 18 19 expenses, and other expenses necessary or incident to determining 20 the feasibility of constructing any project or incident to the construction, acquisition, or financing of any project. 21

(c) (1) "Alternative sources" means the application of cogeneration technology, as defined in Section 25134; the conservation of energy; or the use of solar, biomass, wind, geothermal, hydroelectricity under 30 megawatts *and meeting the criteria set forth in subdivision* (*b*) *of Section 15352 of the Government Code*, or any other source of energy, the efficient use of which will reduce the use of fossil and nuclear fuels.

(2) "Alternative sources" does not include any hydroelectric
facility that does not meet state laws pertaining to the control,
appropriation, use, and distribution of water, including, but not
limited to, the obtaining of applicable licenses and permits.

(d) "Advanced transportation technologies" means emerging
commercially competitive transportation-related technologies
identified by the authority as capable of creating long-term, high
value-added jobs for Californians while enhancing the state's
commitment to energy conservation, pollution reduction, and
transportation efficiency. Those technologies may include, but are
not limited to, any of the following:

40 (1) Intelligent vehicle highway systems.

1 (2) Advanced telecommunications for transportation.

2 (3) Command, control, and communications for public transit 3 vehicles and systems.

- 4 (4) Electric vehicles and ultra-low emission vehicles.
- 5 (5) High-speed rail and magnetic levitation passenger systems. 6
 - (6) Fuel cells.
- 7 (e) "Financial assistance" includes, but is not limited to, either, 8 or any combination, of the following:

9 (1) Loans, loan loss reserves, interest rate reductions, proceeds of bonds issued by the authority, insurance, guarantees or other 10 11 credit enhancements or liquidity facilities, contributions of money, property, labor, or other items of value, or any combination 12 13 thereof, as determined by, and approved by the resolution of, the 14 board.

(2) The issuance of authority bonds or the bonds of a special 15 purpose trust used to fund the cost of a project or program for 16

17 which a participating party is directly or indirectly liable,

- 18 including, but not limited to, any of the following:
- 19 (A) Bonds for which the security is provided in whole or in part 20 pursuant to the powers granted by this division.
- 21 (B) Bonds for which the authority has provided a guarantee or 22 enhancement.
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24 (2) Any other type of assistance the authority determines is appropriate. 25

26 (f) "Participating party" means either of the following:

27 (1) Any person or any entity or group of entities engaged in 28 business or operations in the state, whether organized for profit or 29 not for profit, that applies for financial assistance from the 30 authority for the purpose of implementing a project in a manner 31 prescribed by the authority.

32 (2) Any public agency or nonprofit corporation that applies for financial assistance from the authority for the purpose of 33 34 implementing a project in a manner prescribed by the authority.

35 (g) "Project" means any land, building, improvement thereto, rehabilitation, work, property, or structure, real or personal, 36 stationary or mobile, including, but not limited to, machinery and 37 38 equipment, whether or not in existence or under construction, that utilizes, or is designed to utilize, an alternative source, or that is 39 40 utilized for the design, technology transfer, manufacture,

1 production, assembly, distribution, or service of advanced 2 transportation technologies.

3 (h) "Public agency" means any federal or state agency, board,
4 or commission, or any county, city and county, city, regional
5 agency, public district, or other political subdivision.

6 (i) (1) "Renewable energy" means any device or technology 7 that conserves or produces heat, processes heat, space heating, 8 water heating, steam, space cooling, refrigeration, mechanical 9 energy, electricity, or energy in any form convertible to these uses, 10 that does not expend or use conventional energy fuels, and that

11 uses any of the following electrical generation technologies:

12 (A) Biomass.

13 (B) Solar thermal.

14 (C) Photovoltaic.

15 (D) Wind.

16 (E) Geothermal.

17 (2) For purposes of this subdivision, "conventional energy
18 fuel" means any fuel derived from petroleum deposits, including,
19 but not limited to, oil, heating oil, gasoline, fuel oil, or natural gas,
20 including liquefied natural gas, or nuclear fissionable materials.

(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), for purposes of this
section, "renewable energy" also means ultra-low emission
equipment for energy generation based on thermal energy systems
such as natural gas turbines and fuel cells.

25 (j) "Revenue" means all rents, receipts, purchase payments, 26 loan repayments, and all other income or receipts derived by the 27 authority from the sale, lease, or other disposition of alternative 28 source or advanced transportation technology facilities, or the 29 making of loans to finance alternative source or advanced 30 transportation technology facilities, and any income or revenue 31 derived from the investment of any money in any fund or account 32 of the authority.

33 SEC. 7. Section 26011.5 of the Public Resources Code is 34 amended to read:

35 26011.5. The authority, *in consultation with the State Energy* 36 *Resources Conservation and Development Commission*, shall 37 establish criteria for the selection of projects to receive financing 38 assistance from the authority. In the selection of projects, the 39 authority shall, in accordance with the legislative intent, provide 40 financial assistance under this division in a manner consistent with

1 sound financial practice. In developing project selection criteria,

2 the authority shall consider, but not be limited to, all of the 3 following:

4 (a) The technological feasibility of the projects.

5 (b) The economic soundness of the projects and a realistic 6 expectation that all financial obligations can and will be met by the 7 participating parties.

8 (c) The contribution that the projects can make to a reduction 9 or more efficient use of fossil fuels.

10 (d) The contribution that the project can make toward 11 diversifying California's energy resources by fostering renewable 12 energy systems that can substitute, or preferably eliminate, the 13 demand for conventional energy fuels.

14 (e) Any other such factors that the authority finds significant in 15 achieving the purposes and objectives of this division.

16 SEC. 8. Section 26011.6 is added to the Public Resources 17 Code, to read:

18 26011.6. (a) The authority shall establish a renewable energy
19 loan program to provide 3 percent per annum loans to public power
20 program to provide financial assistance to public power entities,

21 independent generators, utilities, or businesses manufacturing

22 components or systems, or both, to generate new and renewable

energy sources, develop clean and efficient distributed generation,
and demonstrate the economic feasibility of new technologies,
such as solar, photovoltaic, wind, and ultra-low emission
equipment. The authority shall give preference to utility-scale
projects that can be rapidly deployed to provide a significant

28 contribution as a renewable energy supply.

29 (b) The authority shall make every effort to expedite the 30 operation of renewable energy systems, and shall adopt 31 regulations for purposes of this section and Sections 26011.5 and 32 26011.7 as emergency regulations in accordance with Chapter 3.5 33 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 34 2 of the Government Code. For purposes of that Chapter 3.5, 35 including Section 11349.6 of the Government Code, the adoption 36 of the regulations shall be considered by the Office of 37 Administrative Law to be necessary for the immediate 38 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and general welfare. Notwithstanding the 120-day limitation specified in 39 40 subdivision (e) of Section 11346.1 of the Government Code, the

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1 regulations shall be repealed 180 days after their effective date,

2 unless the authority complies with Sections 11346.2 to 11347.3,

3 inclusive, as provided in subdivision (e) of Section 11346.1 of the4 Government Code.

5 (c) The authority shall consult with the State Energy Resources

6 Conservation and Development Commission regarding the 7 financing of projects to avoid duplication of other renewable 8 energy projects.

9 (d) The authority shall ensure that any financed project shall 10 offer its power within California on a long-term contract basis.

11 SEC. 9. Section 739 of the Public Utilities Code is amended 12 to read:

13 739. (a) The commission shall designate a baseline quantity 14 of gas and electricity which is necessary to supply a significant portion of the reasonable energy needs of the average residential 15 customer. In estimating those quantities, the commission shall take 16 17 into account differentials in energy needs between customers whose residential energy needs are currently supplied by 18 19 electricity alone or by both electricity and gas. The commission 20 shall develop a separate baseline quantity for all-electric 21 residential customers. For these purposes, "all-electric residential 22 customers" are residential customers having electrical service 23 only or whose space heating is provided by electricity, or both. The 24 commission shall also take into account differentials in energy use 25 by climatic zone and season.

(b) (1) The commission shall establish a standard limited
allowance which shall be in addition to the baseline quantity of gas
and electricity for residential customers dependent on life-support
equipment, including, but not limited to, emphysema and
pulmonary patients. A residential customer dependent on
life-support equipment shall be given a higher energy allocation
than the average residential customer.

33 (2) "Life-support equipment" means that equipment which 34 utilizes mechanical or artificial means to sustain, restore, or 35 supplant a vital function, or mechanical equipment which is relied upon for mobility both within and outside of buildings. 36 "Life-support equipment," as used in this subdivision, includes 37 38 all of the following: all types of respirators, iron lungs, hemodialysis machines, suction machines, electric nerve 39 40 stimulators, pressure pads and pumps, aerosol tents, electrostatic

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1 and ultrasonic nebulizers, compressors, IPPB machines, and 2 motorized wheelchairs.

3 (3) The limited additional allowance shall also be made 4 available to paraplegic and quadriplegic persons in consideration 5 of the increased heating and cooling needs of those persons.

6 (4) The limited additional allowance shall also be made 7 available to multiple sclerosis patients in consideration of the 8 increased heating and cooling needs of those persons.

9 (5) The limited additional allowance shall also be made 10 available to scleroderma patients in consideration of the increased 11 heating needs of those persons.

12 (6) The limited allowance shall also be made available to 13 persons who are being treated for a life-threatening illness or have 14 a compromised immune system, provided that a licensed physician and surgeon or a person licensed pursuant to the 15 Osteopathic Initiative Act certifies in writing to the utility that the 16 17 additional heating or cooling allowance, or both, made available pursuant to this subdivision is medically necessary to sustain the 18 19 life of the person or prevent deterioration of the person's medical 20 condition. 21 (c) (1) The commission shall require that every electrical and

gas corporation file a schedule of rates and charges providing baseline rates. The baseline rates shall apply to the first or lowest block of an increasing block rate structure which shall be the baseline quantity. In establishing these rates, the commission shall avoid excessive rate increases for residential customers, and shall establish an appropriate gradual differential between the rates for the respective blocks of usage.

29 (2) In establishing residential electric and gas rates, including 30 baseline rates, the commission shall assure that the rates are 31 sufficient to enable the electrical corporation or gas corporation to 32 recover a just and reasonable amount of revenue from residential 33 customers as a class, while observing the principle that electricity 34 and gas services are necessities, for which a low affordable rate is 35 desirable and while observing the principle that conservation is desirable in order to maintain an affordable bill. 36

37 (3) At least until December 31, 2003, the commission shall
38 require that all charges for residential electric customers are
39 volumetric, and shall prohibit any electrical corporation from
40 imposing any charges on residential consumption that are

1 independent of consumption, unless those charges are in place

2 prior to the effective date of the act that added this paragraph.

3 (d) As used in this section:

(1) "Baseline quantity" means a quantity of electricity or gas 4 for residential customers to be established by the commission 5 6 based on from 50 to 60 percent of average residential consumption 7 of these commodities, except that, for residential gas customers 8 and for all-electric residential customers, the baseline quantity 9 shall be established at from 60 to 70 percent of average residential consumption during the winter heating season. In establishing the 10 11 baseline quantities, the commission shall take into account 12 climatic and seasonal variations in consumption and the availability of gas service. The commission shall review and revise 13 14 baseline quantities as average consumption patterns change in 15 order to maintain these ratios.

16 (2) "Residential customer" means those customers receiving 17 electrical or gas service pursuant to a domestic rate schedule and 18 excludes industrial, commercial, and every other category of 19 customer.

20 (e) Wholesale electrical or gas purchases, and the rates charged 21 therefor, are exempt from this section.

(f) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to
 prohibit experimentation with alternative gas or electrical rate
 schedules for the purpose of achieving energy conservation.

25 SEC. 10. Section 739.10 is added to the Public Utilities Code, 26 to read:

739.10. The commission shall, until December 31, 2002,
ensure that errors in estimates of demand elasticity or sales do not
result in material over or undercollections of the electrical
corporations.

31 739.11. (a) For purposes of this section, "real time 32 metering" means a system for measuring a customer's usage of 33 electricity on at least an hourly basis, variably pricing that 34 electricity based on the cost of acquisition or production, and 35 regularly providing and updating that usage and pricing 36 information to the customer.

(b) The commission shall conduct a pilot study of real time
metering for nonresidential customers. The purpose of the study
is to determine the effectiveness of real time metering in reducing
energy demand and overall energy consumption, to examine

customer response, to determine how real time metering should be 1 2 implemented, and to determine whether more widespread use of 3 real time metering is in the public interest. The study shall not 4 duplicate the study required pursuant to Section 393 of the Public Utilities Code. The study shall include rates that vary as the cost 5 6 of electricity varies and provide appropriate telemetry and other 7 equipment. The study shall include agricultural, large commercial, 8 and industrial customer classes, and may include other customer 9 classes if the commission determines that to do so would be in the 10 public interest. The commission shall report to the Legislature on 11 the results of the study by June 30, 2002.

(c) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1,
2003, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,
that is enacted before January 1, 2003, deletes or extends that date.
SEC. 11. Section 2827 of the Public Utilities Code is amended

16 to read:

17 2827. (a) The Legislature finds and declares that a program 18 to provide net energy metering for eligible customer-generators is 19 one way to encourage substantial private investment in renewable 20 energy resources, stimulate in-state economic growth, reduce 21 demand for electricity during peak consumption periods, help 22 stabilize California's energy supply infrastructure, enhance the 23 continued diversification of California's energy resource mix, and 24 reduce interconnection and administrative costs for electricity 25 suppliers.

26 (b) As used in this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) "Electric service provider" means an electrical
corporation, as defined in Section 218, a local publicly owned
electric utility, as defined in Section 9604, or an electrical
cooperative, as defined in Section 2776, or any other entity that
offers electrical service

32 (2) "Eligible customer-generator" means a residential, small 33 commercial customer as defined in subdivision (h) of Section 331, 34 commercial, industrial, or agricultural customer of an electric 35 service provider, who uses a solar or a wind turbine electrical 36 generating facility, or a hybrid system of both, with a capacity of 37 not more than one megawatt that is located on the customer's 38 owned, leased, or rented premises, is interconnected and operates 39 in parallel with the electric grid, and is intended primarily to offset 40 part or all of the customer's own electrical requirements.

(3) "Net energy metering" means measuring the difference 1 2 between the electricity supplied through the electric grid and the 3 electricity generated by an eligible customer-generator and fed 4 back to the electric grid over a 12-month period as described in 5 subdivision (e). Net energy metering shall be accomplished using 6 a single meter capable of registering the flow of electricity in two 7 directions. An additional meter or meters to monitor the flow of 8 electricity in each direction may be installed with the consent of 9 the customer-generator, at the expense of the electric service provider, and the additional metering shall be used only to provide 10 11 the information necessary to accurately bill or credit the customer-generator pursuant to subdivision (e), or to collect solar 12 13 or wind electric generating system performance information for research purposes. If the existing electrical meter of an eligible 14 customer-generator is not capable of measuring the flow of 15 electricity in two directions, the customer-generator shall be 16 17 responsible for all expenses involved in purchasing and installing a meter that is able to measure electricity flow in two directions. 18 19 If an additional meter or meters are installed, the net energy 20 metering calculation shall yield a result identical to that of a single 21 meter. An eligible customer-generator who already owns an 22 existing solar or wind turbine electrical generating facility, or a 23 hybrid system of both, is eligible to receive net energy metering 24 service in accordance with this section.

(c) (1) Every electric service provider shall develop a standard
contract or tariff providing for net energy metering, and shall make
this contract available to eligible customer-generators, upon
request.

(2) If a customer participates in direct transactions pursuant to
paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 365 with an electric
supplier that does not provide distribution service for the direct
transactions, the service provider that provides distribution service
for an eligible customer-generator is not obligated to provide net
energy metering to the customer.

(3) If a customer participates in direct transactions pursuant to
paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 365 with an electric
supplier, and the customer is an eligible customer-generator, the
service provider that provides distribution service for the direct
transactions may recover from the customer's electric service

provider the incremental costs of metering and billing service 1 2 related to net energy metering in an amount set by the commission. 3 (d) Each net energy metering contract or tariff shall be 4 identical, with respect to rate structure, all retail rate components, 5 and any monthly charges, to the contract or tariff to which the same customer would be assigned if such customer was not an eligible 6 7 customer-generator, except that eligible customer-generators 8 shall not be assessed standby charges on the electrical generating 9 capacity or the kilowatthour production of an eligible solar or 10 wind electrical generating facility. The charges for all retail rate 11 components for eligible customer-generators shall be based 12 exclusively on the customer-generator's net kilowatthour 13 consumption over a 12-month period, without regard to the 14 customer-generator's choice of electric service provider. Any new 15 or additional demand charge, standby charge, customer charge, minimum monthly charge, interconnection charge, or other charge 16 17 that would increase an eligible customer-generator's costs beyond 18 those of other customers in the rate class to which the eligible 19 customer-generator would otherwise be assigned are contrary to 20 the intent of this legislation, and shall not form a part of net energy 21 metering contracts or tariffs.

22 (e) For eligible residential and small commercial 23 customer-generators, the net energy metering calculation shall be 24 made by measuring the difference between the electricity supplied 25 to the eligible customer-generator and the electricity generated by 26 the eligible customer-generator and fed back to the electric grid 27 over a 12-month period. The following rules shall apply to the 28 annualized net metering calculation:

29 (1) The eligible residential or small commercial 30 customer-generator shall, at the end of each 12-month period 31 following the date of final interconnection of the eligible 32 customer-generator's system with an electric service provider, and 33 at each anniversary date thereafter, be billed for electricity used 34 during that period. The electric service provider shall determine if 35 the eligible residential or small commercial customer-generator 36 was a net consumer or a net producer of electricity during that 37 period.

38 (2) At the end of each 12-month period, where the electricity
39 supplied during the period by the electric service provider exceeds
40 the electricity generated by the eligible residential or small

commercial customer-generator during that same period, the 1 2 eligible residential or small commercial customer-generator is a 3 net electricity consumer and the electric service provider shall be 4 owed compensation for the eligible customer-generator's net 5 kilowatthour consumption over that same period. The compensation owed for the eligible residential or small 6 7 commercial customer-generator's consumption shall be 8 calculated as follows:

9 (A) For all eligible customer-generators taking service under 10 tariffs employing "baseline" and "over baseline" rates, any net 11 monthly consumption of electricity shall be calculated according to the terms of the contract or tariff to which the same customer 12 13 would be assigned to or be eligible for if the customer was not an 14 eligible customer-generator. If those same customer-generators are net generators over a billing period, the net kilowatthours 15 generated shall be valued at the same price per kilowatthour as the 16 17 electric service provider would charge for the baseline quantity of 18 electricity during that billing period, and if the number of 19 kilowatthours generated exceeds the baseline quantity, the excess 20 shall be valued at the same price per kilowatthour as the electric 21 service provider would charge for electricity over the baseline 22 quantity during that billing period.

23 (B) For all eligible customer-generators taking service under 24 tariffs employing "time of use" rates, any net monthly consumption of electricity shall be calculated according to the 25 26 terms of the contract or tariff to which the same customer would 27 be assigned to or be eligible for if the customer was not an eligible 28 customer-generator. When those same customer-generators are 29 net generators during any discrete time of use period, the net 30 kilowatthours produced shall be valued at the same price per 31 kilowatthour as the electric service provider would charge for 32 retail kilowatthour sales during that same time of use period. If the 33 eligible customer-generator's time of use electrical meter is unable 34 to measure the flow of electricity in two directions, paragraph (3) 35 of subdivision (b) shall apply.

36 (C) For all residential and small commercial customer-generators and for each monthly period, the net balance 37 38 of moneys owed to the electric service provider for net 39 consumption of electricity or credits owed to the 40 customer-generator for net generation of electricity shall be

carried forward until the end of each 12-month period. For all 1 2 commercial, industrial, and agricultural customer-generators the 3 net balance of moneys owed shall be paid in accordance with the 4 electric service provider's normal billing cycle, except that if the 5 commercial, industrial, or agricultural customer-generator is a net 6 electricity producer over a normal billing cycle, any excess 7 kilowatthours generated during the billing cycle shall be carried 8 over to the following billing period, valued according to the 9 procedures set forth in this section, and appear as a credit on the 10 customer-generator's account, until the end of the annual period 11 when paragraph (3) of subdivision (e) shall apply.

12 (3) At the end of each 12-month period, where the electricity 13 generated by the eligible customer-generator during the 12-month 14 period exceeds the electricity supplied by the electric service provider during that same period, the eligible customer-generator 15 is a net electricity producer and the electric service provider shall 16 17 retain any excess kilowatthours generated during the prior 18 12-month period. The eligible customer-generator shall not be 19 owed any compensation for those excess kilowatthours unless the 20 electric service provider enters into a purchase agreement with the 21 eligible customer-generator for those excess kilowatthours.

22 (4) The electric service provider shall provide every eligible 23 residential or small commercial customer-generator with net 24 electricity consumption information with each regular bill. That information shall include the current monetary balance owed the 25 26 electric service provider for net electricity consumed since the last 27 12-month period ended. Notwithstanding subdivision (e), an 28 electric service provider shall permit that customer to pay monthly 29 for net energy consumed.

30 eligible residential small (5) If an or commercial 31 customer-generator terminates the customer relationship with the 32 electric service provider, the electric service provider shall 33 reconcile the eligible customer-generator's consumption and 34 production of electricity during any part of a 12-month period 35 following the last reconciliation, according to the requirements set 36 forth in this subdivision, except that those requirements shall apply 37 only to the months since the most recent 12-month bill.

(6) If an electric service provider providing net metering to a
residential or small commercial customer-generator ceases
providing that electrical service to that customer during any

1 12-month period, and the customer-generator enters into a new net

2 metering contract or tariff with a new electric service provider, the 3 12-month period, with respect to that new electric service 4 provider, shall commence on the date on which the new electric 5 service provider first supplies electric service to the 6 customer-generator.

7 (f) A solar or wind turbine electrical generating system, or a 8 hybrid system of both, used by an eligible customer-generator 9 shall meet all applicable safety and performance standards established by the National Electrical Code, the Institute of 10 11 Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and accredited testing laboratories such as Underwriters Laboratories and, where 12 13 applicable, rules of the Public Utilities Commission regarding 14 safety and reliability. A customer-generator whose solar or wind turbine electrical generating system, or a hybrid system of both, 15 meets those standards and rules shall not be required to install 16 17 additional controls, perform or pay for additional tests, or purchase 18 additional liability insurance.

(g) This section shall remain in effect only until June 1, 2002
January 1, 2003, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later
enacted statute, that is enacted before June 1, 2002 January 1,
2003, deletes or extends that date.

SEC. 12. Section 2827 is added to the Public Utilities Code,to read:

25 2827. (a) The Legislature finds and declares that a program 26 to provide net energy metering for eligible customer-generators is 27 one way to encourage private investment in renewable energy 28 resources, stimulate in-state economic growth, enhance the 29 continued diversification of California's energy resource mix, and 30 reduce interconnection and administrative costs for electricity 31 suppliers.

32 (b) As used in this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) "Electric service provider" means an electric corporation,
as defined in Section 218, a local publicly owned electric utility,
as defined in Section 9604, or an electrical cooperative, as defined
in Section 2776. 'Electric service provider' also means an entity
that offers electrical service to residential and small commercial
customers, as defined in Section 394, if that entity offers net
energy metering. Any entity that offers net energy metering to

residential and small commercial customers shall comply with this
 section.

3 (2) "Eligible customer-generator" means a residential customer, or a small commercial customer as defined in 4 subdivision (h) of Section 331, of an electric service provider, who 5 uses a solar or a wind turbine electrical generating facility, or a 6 7 hybrid system of both, with a capacity of not more than 10 8 kilowatts that is located on the customer's premises, is 9 interconnected and operates in parallel with the electric grid, and 10 is intended primarily to offset part or all of the customer's own 11 electrical requirements.

(3) "Net energy metering" means measuring the difference 12 13 between the electricity supplied through the electric grid and the 14 electricity generated by an eligible customer-generator and fed back to the electric grid over a 12-month period as described in 15 subdivision (e). Net energy metering shall be accomplished using 16 17 a single meter capable of registering the flow of electricity in two 18 directions. An additional meter or meters to monitor the flow of 19 electricity in each direction may be installed with the consent of 20 the customer-generator, at the expense of the electric service 21 provider, and the additional metering shall be used only to provide 22 the information necessary to accurately bill or credit the 23 customer-generator pursuant to subdivision (e), or to collect solar 24 or wind electric generating system performance information for 25 research purposes. If the existing electrical meter of an eligible 26 customer-generator is not capable of measuring the flow of 27 electricity in two directions, the customer-generator shall be 28 responsible for all expenses involved in purchasing and installing 29 a meter that is able to measure electricity flow in two directions. 30 If an additional meter or meters are installed, the net energy 31 metering calculation shall yield a result identical to that of a single 32 meter. An eligible customer-generator who already owns an 33 existing solar or wind turbine electrical generating facility, or a 34 hybrid system of both, is eligible to receive net energy metering 35 service in accordance with this section. (4) "Ratemaking authority" means, for an electrical 36

corporation as defined in Section 218, or an electrical cooperative
as defined in Section 2776, the commission, and for a local
publicly owned electric utility as defined in Section 9604, the local
elected body responsible for regulating the rates of the utility.

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1 (c) (1) Every electric service provider shall develop a standard 2 contract or tariff providing for net energy metering, and shall make 3 this contract available to eligible customer-generators, upon 4 request, on a first-come-first-served basis until the time that the 5 capacity used total rated generating by eligible customer-generators equals one-tenth of 1 percent of the electric 6 7 service provider's aggregate customer peak demand.

8 (2) On an annual basis, beginning in 1999, every electric 9 service provider shall make available to the ratemaking authority information on the total rated generating capacity used by eligible 10 11 customer-generators that are customers of that provider in the 12 provider's service area. For those electric service providers who 13 are operating pursuant to Section 394, they shall make available 14 to the ratemaking authority the information required by this paragraph for each eligible customer-generator that is their 15 customer for each service area of an electric corporation, local 16 17 publicly owned electric utility, or electrical cooperative, in which 18 the customer has net energy metering. The ratemaking authority 19 shall develop a process for making the information required by this 20 paragraph available to energy service providers, and for using that 21 information to determine when, pursuant to paragraph (3), a 22 service provider is not obligated to provide net energy metering to 23 additional customer-generators in its service area.

24 (3) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), an electric service provider is not obligated to provide net energy metering to additional 25 26 customer-generators in its service area when the combined total 27 peak demand of all customer-generators served by all the electric 28 service providers in that service area furnishing net energy 29 metering to eligible customer-generators equals one-tenth of 1 30 percent of the aggregate customer peak demand of those electric 31 service providers.

32 (4) If a customer participates in direct transactions pursuant to 33 paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 365 with an electric 34 supplier that does not offer net energy metering and is therefore not 35 an electric service provider, the customer is not an eligible customer-generator and the electric corporation, as defined in 36 37 Section 218, that provides distribution service for the direct 38 transactions, is not obligated to provide net energy metering to the 39 customer.

1 (5) If a customer participates in direct transactions pursuant to 2 paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 365 with an electric 3 supplier that offers net energy metering and is therefore an electric 4 service provider, and the customer is an eligible 5 customer-generator, the electric corporation, as defined in Section 218, that provides distribution service for the direct transactions 6 7 may recover from the customer's electric service provider the 8 incremental costs of metering and billing service related to net 9 energy metering in an amount set by the commission.

10 (d) Each net energy metering contract or tariff shall be 11 identical, with respect to rate structure, all retail rate components, 12 and any monthly charges, to the contract or tariff to which the same 13 customer would be assigned if such customer was not an eligible 14 customer-generator. The charges for all retail rate components for 15 eligible customer-generators shall be based exclusively on the customer-generator's net kilowatthour consumption over a 16 17 12-month period, without regard to the customer-generator's 18 choice of electric service provider that offers net energy metering 19 and is subject to this section pursuant to paragraph (1) of 20 subdivision (b), in accordance with subdivision (e). Any new or 21 additional demand charge, standby charge, customer charge, 22 minimum monthly charge, interconnection charge, or other charge 23 that would increase an eligible customer-generator's costs beyond 24 those of other customers in the rate class to which the eligible 25 customer-generator would otherwise be assigned are contrary to 26 the intent of this legislation, and shall not form a part of net energy 27 metering contracts or tariffs.

(e) The net energy metering calculation shall be made by
measuring the difference between the electricity supplied to the
eligible customer-generator and the electricity generated by the
eligible customer-generator and fed back to the electric grid over
a 12-month period. The following rules shall apply to the
annualized net metering calculation:

(1) The eligible customer-generator shall, at the end of each 12-month period following the date of final interconnection of the eligible customer-generator's system with an electric service provider, and at each anniversary date thereafter, be billed for electricity used during that period. The electric service provider shall determine if the eligible customer-generator was a net consumer or a net producer of electricity during that period.

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1 (2) At the end of each 12-month period, where the electricity 2 supplied during the period by the electric service provider exceeds 3 the electricity generated by the eligible customer-generator during 4 that same period, the eligible customer-generator is a net 5 electricity consumer and the electric service provider shall be owed compensation for the eligible customer-generator's net 6 7 kilowatthour consumption over that same period. The compensation owed for the eligible customer-generator's net 8 9 12-month kilowatthour consumption shall be calculated as 10 follows:

11 (A) For eligible customer-generators taking service under 12 tariffs employing "baseline" and "over baseline" rates, any net 13 monthly consumption of electricity shall be calculated according 14 to the terms of the contract or tariff to which the same customer would be assigned to or be eligible for if the customer was not an 15 eligible customer-generator. If those same customer-generators 16 are net generators over a billing period, the net kilowatthours 17 18 generated shall be valued at the same price per kilowatthour as the electric service provider would charge for the baseline quantity of 19 20 electricity during that billing period, and if the number of 21 kilowatthours generated exceeds the baseline quantity, the excess 22 shall be valued at the same price per kilowatthour as the electric 23 service provider would charge for electricity over the baseline 24 quantity during that billing period.

25 (B) For eligible customer-generators taking service under 26 tariffs employing "time of use" rates, any net monthly 27 consumption of electricity shall be calculated according to the 28 terms of the contract or tariff to which the same customer would 29 be assigned to or be eligible for if the customer was not an eligible 30 customer-generator. When those same customer-generators are 31 net generators during any discrete time of use period, the net 32 kilowatthours produced shall be valued at the same price per 33 kilowatthour as the electric service provider would charge for 34 retail kilowatthour sales during that same time of use period. If the 35 eligible customer-generator's time of use electrical meter is unable to measure the flow of electricity in two directions, paragraph (3) 36 37 of subdivision (b) shall apply.

38 (C) For all customer-generators and for each monthly period, 39 the net balance of moneys owed to the electric service provider for 40 net consumption of electricity or credits owed to the

1 customer-generator for net generation of electricity shall be 2 carried forward until the end of each 12-month period.

3 (3) At the end of each 12-month period, where the electricity 4 generated by the eligible customer-generator during the 12-month 5 period exceeds the electricity supplied by the electric service provider during that same period, the eligible customer-generator 6 7 is a net electricity producer and the electric service provider shall 8 retain any excess kilowatthours generated during the prior 9 12-month period. The eligible customer-generator shall not be 10 owed any compensation for those excess kilowatthours unless the 11 electric service provider enters into a purchase agreement with the 12 eligible customer-generator for those excess kilowatthours.

(4) The electric service provider shall provide every eligible
customer-generator with net electricity consumption information
with each regular bill. That information shall include the current
monetary balance owed the electric service provider for net
electricity consumed since the last 12-month period ended.
Notwithstanding subdivision (e), an electric service provider shall
permit that customer to pay monthly for net energy consumed.

20 (5) If an eligible customer-generator terminates the customer 21 relationship with the electric service provider, the electric service 22 provider shall reconcile the eligible customer-generator's 23 consumption and production of electricity during any part of a 24 12-month period following the last reconciliation, according to the requirements set forth in this subdivision, except that those 25 26 requirements shall apply only to the months since the most recent 27 12-month bill. 28 (6) If an electric service provider providing net metering to a

customer-generator ceases provider provider providing het metering to a customer-generator ceases providing that electrical service to that customer during any 12-month period, and the customer-generator enters into a new net metering contract or tariff with a new electric service provider, the 12-month period, with respect to that new electric service provider, shall commence on the date on which the new electric service provider first supplies electric service to the customer-generator.

(f) A solar or wind turbine electrical generating system, or a
hybrid system of both, used by an eligible customer-generator
shall meet all applicable safety and performance standards
established by the National Electrical Code, the Institute of
Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and accredited testing

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laboratories such as Underwriters Laboratories and, where

applicable, rules of the Public Utilities Commission regarding safety and reliability. A customer-generator whose solar or wind turbine electrical generating system, or a hybrid system of both, meets those standards and rules shall not be required to install additional controls, perform or pay for additional tests, or purchase additional liability insurance. (g) This section shall become operative on June 1, 2002 January 1, 2003. SEC. 12.5. Section 2827.5 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read: 2827.5. The Legislature finds and declares that the repeal of the provisions of the net metering program for large customers 13 merely reflects a legislative desire to revisit and more closely 14 evaluate the cumulative value and effect of the state's policy 15 regarding renewable energy sources on the economics of 16 investment in solar and wind sources for large net metering 18 customers and to ensure further legislative discussion regarding this issue. SEC. 12.6. Section 2827.7 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read: 2827.7. *Generation eligible for net metering that is installed* on or before December 31, 2002, shall be entitled, for the life of 23 the installation, to the net metering terms in effect on the date of 24 25 installation. SEC. 13. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant 27 to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution for 28 certain costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school 29 district because in that regard this act creates a new crime or 30 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty 31 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within 32 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California 34 Constitution. However, notwithstanding Section 17610 of the Government 36 Code, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains other costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code. If the statewide cost of the

1 claim for reimbursement does not exceed one million dollars 2 (\$1,000,000), reimbursement shall be made from the State

3 Mandates Claims Fund.

4 SEC. 14. The sum of four hundred five million one hundred

5 fifty thousand dollars (\$405,150,000) four hundred eight million 6 six hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$408,650,000) is hereby 7 appropriated or reappropriated to the Controller from the 8 following sources:

9 (a) Twenty-five million one hundred fifty thousand dollars 10 (\$25,150,000) from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account, 11 reappropriated on a one-time basis from the Proposition 98 12 Reversion Account from moneys appropriated in the 2000–01 13 fiscal year to community colleges.

(b) Three hundred eighty million dollars (\$380,000,000) from
(b) Three hundred sixty-eight million five hundred thousand
dollars (\$368,500,000) from the General Fund.

(c) The moneys reappropriated from the Proposition 98
Reversion Account shall be allocated to the Chancellor of the
California Community Colleges who shall allocate those funds as
follows:

21 (1) Twenty-three million dollars (\$23,000,000) to be expended

22 (1) Twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) to be expended 23 for the purposes of implementing Article 2 (commencing with Section 81610) of Chapter 3 of Part 49 of Division 7 of Title 3 of 24 the Education Code. The Chancellor, in consultation with the 25 26 State Energy Resources Conservation and Development 27 *Commission*, shall allocate the funds in this paragraph to all 28 community college districts statewide in an amount equivalent to 29 a district's share of the total gross square footage of all permanent structures reported on the system's October 2000 Space Inventory 30 Report. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, due to the 31 32 urgent need to realize the necessary energy savings by the summer 33 of 2001 these funds shall be made available to the districts within 34 one week of the effective date of this act. Any funds allocated 35 pursuant to this paragraph that are unencumbered by October 30, 2001, shall revert to the General Fund on that date. 36

37 (2) Two million dollars (\$2,000,000) in the form of a zero

interest loan repayable over a reasonable period of time for a
 community college district to construct a sustainable green

40 instructional building. The projected energy systems for this

1 building shall reduce its demand on primary energy sources to a

2 level of 40 to 50 percent below the current Title 24 (Version 98)

3 of the California Code of Regulations including building energy

4 design performance and onsite power generation and or the

5 equivalent level in future versions of Title 24. A minimum of ten

6 million dollars (\$10,000,000) of the total project costs shall be

7 derived from nonstate resources. Preliminary plans for this

8 building shall be completed, and working drawings approved, by
9 the State Architect before the end of the 2001–02 fiscal year.

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11 (2) One hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) as a grant to 12 the Community College League of California to provide a 13 statewide database of community college district utility usage for 14 immediate application. The data base shall be accessible to the Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges as well 15 as to all community college districts statewide to assist in 16 17 conservation, facilities planning and energy management. The 18 data base shall track the usage of electricity and natural gas, and 19 may track the usage of water, sewer and other utilities. The data 20 base shall further provide an ongoing audit of utility billings to 21 check for billing errors and to ensure that districts recover potential 22 billings that exceed cost of actual usage.

23 (d) The moneys appropriated from the General Fund shall be24 allocated as follows:

25 (1) The sum of forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) shall be

26 deposited in the Renewable Energy Loan Loss Reserve Fund *for*

the purposes of Article 4 (commencing with Section 15350) of
Chapter 1 of Part 6.7 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government

28 Chapter 1 of Part 6.7 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government29 Code.

30 (2) (A) The sum of forty million dollars (\$40,000,000) shall 31 be allocated to the California Conservation Corps for costs associated with the purchase, distribution, and installation of 32 33 subcompact fluorescent lights, other energy savings measures, and 34 water-saving devices for the purposes of Chapter 4 (commencing 35 with Section 14420) of Division 12 of the Public Resources Code. 36 It is the intent of the Legislature that the California Conservation 37 Corps complete the distribution of the purchased materials by 38 August 31, 2001.

39 (B) The California Conservation Corps, in implementing the 40 provisions of subparagraph (A), shall consult with the Department

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1 of Community Services and Development *and the State Energy*

Resources Conservation and Development Commission, and shall
provide for broad geographic distribution of the purchased

4 materials throughout the state, identify neighborhoods and areas

5 with dense populations that can easily be served in large numbers,

6 and take into account community need.

7 (C) The California Conservation Corps shall report to the 8 Legislature on or before October 31, 2001, on the use of the funds 9 allocated pursuant to this paragraph, the cost-effectiveness of the 10 activities, and the number of homes and businesses reached.

11 (3) The sum of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) shall be 12 allocated to the Department of Community Services and 13 Development for disbursement in the forms of grants to 14 community-based organizations for the purposes of Chapter 4 15 (commencing with Section 14420) of Division 12 of the Public 16 Resources Code, including, but not limited to, the rapid

17 *installation of energy efficiency measures.*

18 (4) The sum of one hundred fifty-four million five hundred

thousand dollars (\$154,500,000) shall be allocated to the StateEnergy Resources Conservation and Development Commission

21 for allocation in accordance with the following schedule:

22 (A) Fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be expended in

accordance with Article 2 (commencing with Section 25433) of
 Chapter 5.3 of Division 15 of the Public Resources Code, for a loan

25 or a grant for an eligible construction or retrofit project.

26 (B) Fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be expended for 27 electric metering programs. Twenty-five million dollars 28 (\$25,000,000) metering programs. Thirty-five million dollars 29 (\$35,000,000) shall be used to provide time-of-use or real time 30 meters for customers whose usage is greater than 200 kilowatt. 31 Twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) Fifteen million dollars 32 (\$15,000,000) shall be provided to the Public Utilities 33 Commission to fund the program described in Section 739.11 of 34 the Public Utilities Code, which may be used for the purchase and 35 installation of meters, related equipment, and other associated 36 costs.

37 (C) Fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be expended for

the Small Business Energy Efficient Refrigeration Loan Programprovided for in Section 25436 of the Public Resources Code.

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1 (5) (A) The sum of fifty million dollars (\$50,000,000) shall be 2 allocated to the State Energy Conservation Assistance Account 3 created by Section 25416 of the Public Resources Code for 4 expenditure by the State Energy Resources Conservation and 5 Development Commission to provide loans and grants, as 6 determined by the commission, pursuant to Chapter 5.35 5.2 7 (commencing with Section 25410) of Division 15 of the Public 8 Resources Code. 9 (B) In allocating the funds pursuant to this paragraph, the State 10 Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission 11 shall give priority to applications for energy conservation projects 12 or energy conservation measures that can be completed before 13 September 1, 2001. 14 (5) shall do the following: (i) Give priority to applications for energy conservation 15 16 projects or energy conservation measures that can be completed on or before September 1, 2001. 17 18 (ii) Give priority to local governmental entities that do not have 19 a local utility tax when making grants or loans to those entities.

20 (6) The sum of four million five hundred thousand dollars 21 (\$4,500,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund 22 allocated to the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) for expenditure 23 to complete the Southeast Geysers Effluent Injection System 24 (SEGIS), Phase 2 Project of the Basin 2000 Project in Lake 25 26 County. This appropriation is to enable Basin 2000 to come online 27 in December 2001, to produce an additional 10 megawatts (MW) 28 of geothermal power, which it and the Northern California Power 29 Agency, the sole partner with the Lake County Sanitation District, commit to selling to the state at their cost to help with California's 30 31 electricity crisis. 32 (6)33 (7) The sum of twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000) shall

be allocated to the California Alternative Energy and Advanced

35 Transportation Financing Authority for the purpose of

36 implementing Section 26011.6 of the Public Resources Code.

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38 (8) (A) The State Energy Resources Conservation and
 39 Development Commission shall expand programs to promote

40 clean distributed generation technologies neither owned nor

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controlled by electrical corporations. Pursuant to subparagraphs 1 2 (B) and (C), the incentives that the commission shall develop 3 pursuant to this section shall address existing barriers to the 4 increased use of these technologies, including, but not limited to, incentives to help reduce the initial system purchase price, develop 5 low-cost financing mechanisms, offset interconnection fees 6 7 charged by electrical corporations, and streamline the utility 8 interconnection process by reducing administrative delay.

9 (B) The sum of thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000) shall be 10 (B) The sum of fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) shall be 11 deposited in the Emerging Renewable Resources Account in the Renewable Resource Trust Fund established pursuant to Section 12 13 445 of the Public Utilities Code. Notwithstanding Section 13340 of the Government Code, the money deposited in the Emerging 14 Renewable Resources Account by this subparagraph is hereby 15 continuously appropriated to the State Energy Resources 16 17 Conservation and Development Commission, without regard to 18 fiscal year, for the purposes specified in subparagraph (C). 19 (C) The sum of fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000) shall be

transferred from the Renewable Resource Trust Fund to the
 Emerging Renewable Resources Account in the Renewable
 Resource Trust Fund established under Section 445 of the Public
 Utilities Code.

24 (*D*) The money allocated pursuant this paragraph may be 25 expended by the commission only for the following purposes:

26 (i) Twenty-two million dollars (\$22,000,000) for rebates 27 available for small distributed emerging technologies that are 28 eligible for funding pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 383.5 29 of the Public Utilities Code that have a peak generating capacity 30 of 10 kilowatts or less. The commission shall determine the 31 maximum rebate level for small systems to be awarded pursuant 32 to this clause. Within the maximum rebate level, the commission 33 may provide for different rebate levels, such as higher rebate levels 34 for systems installed and operational within a specified timeframe, 35 or for targeted end-use customers that need additional financial 36 support, such as for public schools and state and local 37 governmental facilities.

(ii) Eight million dollars (\$8,000,000) for rebates for small
distributed emerging technologies that are eligible for funding
pursuant to subdivision (d) of Section 383.5 of the Public Utilities

1 Code that have a peak generating capacity of 10 kilowatts or less

and that are located at a customer site receiving distribution servicefrom a local publicly owned electric utility, as defined in Section

4 9604 of the Public Utilities Code. The commission shall determine

5 the maximum rebate level for small systems to be awarded 6 pursuant to this clause. Within the maximum rebate level, the 7 commission may provide for different rebate levels, such as higher 8 rebate levels for systems installed and operational within a

9 specified timeframe, or for targeted end-use customers that need

additional financial support, such as for public schools and state and local governmental facilities.

12 (iii) The commission shall ensure that projects eligible for 13 rebates pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) shall not also receive rebates 14 from similar programs adopted by the Public Utilities 15 Commission.

16 (D) Notwithstanding subdivision (d) of Section 383.5 of the Public Utilities Code, the commission may increase the maximum 17 18 rebate levels for distributed emerging technologies eligible for funding under subdivision (d) of Section 383.5 of the Public 19 20 Utilities Code that have a peak generating capacity greater than 10 21 kilowatts, if the commission determines that an increase is 22 appropriate to further stimulate the installation of emerging 23 renewable technologies in general or for targeted end-use 24 customers that need additional financial support, such as public schools and state and local governmental facilities. The maximum 25 26 incentive levels established by the commission may vary based on 27 system size and type of end-use consumer.

(E) For purposes of this paragraph, 'commission' means the
State Energy Resources Conservation and Development
Commission.

(9) In order to achieve a reduction in peak electricity demand,
the sum of twenty-four million dollars (\$24,000,000) shall be
allocated to the Department of Corrections to install systems to
retrofit generating units to improve the environmental
performance of existing electrical generating units.

(e) Funds appropriated pursuant to paragraph (4) of
subdivision (d) shall be expended pursuant to guidelines adopted
by the Energy Resources Conservation and Development
Commission. The guidelines shall be exempt from the requirements
of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of

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Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code and shall do all of the
 following:

3 (1) Establish cost-effectiveness criteria for the programs 4 funded. Within 10 days from the date of the adoption of criteria pursuant to this paragraph, the commission shall provide a copy 5 of the criteria to the Chairperson of the Legislative Budget 6 7 *Committee, to the chairpersons of the appropriate policy and fiscal* 8 committees of both houses of the Legislature, and to the Governor. 9 (2) Establish design guidelines for energy efficiency for programs to be eligible for funding under Section 25433 of the 10 Public Resources Code. These guidelines shall exceed those 11 standards established in Part 6 of Title 24 of the California Code 12 13 of Regulations.

(3) Allow reasonable flexibility to shift funds among program
categories in order to achieve the maximum feasible amount of
energy conservation, peak load reduction, and energy efficiency by
the earliest feasible date.

(4) Establish matching fund criteria where appropriate to
ensure that entities eligible to receive funds appropriated pursuant
to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) pay an appropriate share of the
cost of acquiring or installing measures to achieve the maximum
feasible amount of energy conservation, peak load reduction, and

23 energy efficiency by the earliest feasible date.

24 (5) Establish mechanisms and criteria that ensure that funds

25 expended pursuant to this subdivision through electric and gas 26 corporations are not seized by the creditors of those corporations

in the event of a bankruptcy. In implementing this paragraph, the

commission shall adopt mechanisms such as the segregation of

29 funds by the electric and gas corporations, the holding of those

30 funds in trust until they are expended, and the reversion of funds

31 to the General Fund in the event of a bankruptcy.

32 (6) Establish tracking and auditing procedures to ensure that 33 funds are expended in a manner consistent with this section.

34 SEC. 14.5. (a) Any contracts entered into on or before

35 September 1, 2001, pursuant to this act due to the energy crisis are

36 exempt from the following requirements of the Government Code

37 and the Public Contracts Code:

38 (1) Services contracts are exempt from Article 4 (commencing

39 with Section 10335) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 2 of the

40 *Public Contract Code.*

(2) Consulting services contracts are exempt from Article 5 1 2 (commencing with Section 10359) of Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code. 3 4 (3) Architectural and engineering contracts are exempt from Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 4525) of Division 5 of Title 5 1 of the Government Code, and from Sections 6106.5 of the Public 6 7 Contract Code. 8 (4) All contracts are exempt from Section 10295 of the Public Contract Code, relating to approval from the Department of 9 General Services. 10 11 (5) All contracts are exempt from Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 14825) of Part 5.5 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the 12 13 Government Code, relating to advertising. 14 (b) Grants may be awarded for projects or programs that include a group of related projects, or to a party who aggregates 15 projects that directly benefit from the grant. The grants do not 16 constitute the rendering of goods or services or a direct benefit to 17 the agency making the grant. A party who aggregates projects may 18 retain for administrative costs not more than $2^{1/2}$ percent of the 19 20 funds expended by the party. 21 (c) Approval of contracts and grants may be delegated to the agency executive director or an agency committee up to a 22 23 maximum amount that is established by the respective commission 24 or agency.

25 (d) Administrative costs for agencies participating in programs 26 or projects pursuant to this act shall not exceed $2^{1}/_{2}$ percent of the 27 amount allocated to the agency.

(e) Each participating agency receiving funds under this act
shall file reports with the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, the
chairs of the appropriations committees, and the Governor, as
follows:

32 (1) An interim report by January 1, 2002.

33 (2) *A final report by July 1, 2002.*

(3) Annual reports for continuing programs, if the agency or
 program is not otherwise required to file annual reports by this act

36 or any other provision of law.

37 SEC. 15. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the

immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safetywithin the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go

40 into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

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In order to prevent rolling blackouts, and the shortage of
 electrical generating capacity in the state that endangers the health,
 welfare, and safety of the people of this state, it is necessary that
 this act take effect immediately.

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