Introduced by Senator Bowen

February 23, 2001

An act to add Section 25554 to, and to add Chapter 7.6 (commencing with Section 25660) to Division 15 of, the Public Resources Code, relating to energy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1143, as amended, Bowen. Energy.

Existing law establishes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission in the Resources Agency, and specifies the powers and duties of the commission.

This bill would require the commission to annually perform, by December 31, 2002, and by December 31 annually thereafter, to submit to the Legislature and the Governor an assessment of the need for resource additions that will reasonably balance the requirements of state and regional growth and development, the protection of public health and safety, the preservation of environmental quality, the maintenance of a sound economy, and the conservation of resources. The bill would also require the commission to prepare an energy diversity plan to achieve the goals that, by December 31, 2006, at least 15% of the energy generated in California shall derive from renewable sources and, by December 31, 2010, at least 20% of the energy generated in California shall derive from renewable sources. The bill would require the commission to conduct this assessment and prepare the plan using its existing resources.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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

SECTION 1. Section 25554 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:

25554. The commission shall perform On or before December 31, 2002, and on or before December 31 annually thereafter, the commission shall submit to the Legislature and the Governor an assessment of the need for resource additions that will reasonably balance the requirements of state and regional growth and development, the protection of public health and safety, the preservation of environmental quality, the maintenance of a sound economy, and the conservation of resources. This assessment shall be based on determinations made pursuant to subdivisions (a) to (f), inclusive, of Section 25305. The assessment shall be performed at least annually. of Section 25305.

SEC. 2. Chapter 7.6 (commencing with Section 25660) is added to Division 15 of the Public Resources Code, to read:

Chapter 7.6. Renewable Energy

- 25660. The commission shall, at the earliest possible time, prepare an energy diversity plan to achieve the following:
- (a) By December 31, 2006, at least 15 percent of the energy generated in California shall be derived from renewable sources.
- (b) By December 31, 2010, at least 20 percent of the energy generated in California shall be derived from renewable sources.
- SEC. 3. The State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission shall conduct the assessment required by Section 25554 of the Public Resources Code, and prepare the energy diversity plan required by Chapter 7.6 (commencing with Section 25660) of Division 15 of the Public Resources Code, using

30 the commission's existing resources.