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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the state's policy on renewable energy; amending s. 366.92, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Public Service Commission to change the goals for increasing the use of renewable energy resources consistent with legislative intent; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 366.92, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

366.92 Florida renewable energy policy.--

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature to promote the development of renewable energy; protect the economic viability of Florida's existing renewable energy facilities; diversify the types of fuel used to generate electricity in Florida; lessen Florida's dependence on natural gas and fuel oil for the production of electricity; minimize the volatility of fuel costs; encourage investment within the state; improve environmental conditions; and, at the same time, minimize the costs of power supply to electric utilities and their customers.

(2) For the purposes of this section, "Florida renewable energy resources" shall mean renewable energy, as defined in s. 377.803, that is produced in Florida.

(3) The commission may adopt appropriate goals for increasing the use of existing, expanded, and new Florida renewable energy resources. The commission may change the goals consistent with subsection (1) of this section. The

1 commission may review and reestablish the goals at least once
2 every 5 years.

3 (4) The commission may adopt rules to administer ~~and~~
4 ~~implement the provisions of~~ this section.

5 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
6 law.

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9 SENATE SUMMARY

10 Authorizes the Florida Public Service Commission to
11 change the goals for increasing the use of renewable
12 energy resources consistent with legislative intent.
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