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Senator Bennett moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment**

On lines 1884-1921 delete those lines

and insert:

Section 41. (1) The Florida Public Service Commission shall conduct a study in conjunction with the Florida Energy Commission, the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to recommend an appropriate renewable portfolio standard for the state.

(2) The study shall include current and future availability of renewable fuels, incentives to attract large scale renewable energy development, proposed changes to current regulatory and market practices to encourage renewable energy development, the impact on utility costs and rates, environmental benefits of a renewable portfolio standard, and economic development associated with renewable energy in the state.

(3) The Florida Public Service Commission shall hold public hearings on these and other related issues and submit a

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1 report containing specific recommendations to the President of  
2 the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by  
3 January 1, 2008.

4       Section 42. (1) The Florida Public Service Commission  
5 shall conduct a study in conjunction with the Florida Energy  
6 Commission, the Department of Environmental Protection, and  
7 the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to  
8 recommend the establishment of an energy efficiency and solar  
9 energy initiative.

10       (2) The study shall include recommendations for the  
11 administration, design, implementation, and ongoing  
12 measurement and evaluation of programs that promote energy  
13 efficiency and conservation activities and market  
14 transformation efforts for solar energy technologies through a  
15 public benefits fund. The study shall include incentives for  
16 investment in energy efficiency and customer-sited solar  
17 energy systems, suggest changes to current regulatory and  
18 market practice to encourage solar energy and energy  
19 efficiency investment in residential and commercial  
20 applications, including standards for net metering and  
21 interconnection.

22       (3) The Florida Public Service Commission will hold  
23 public hearings on these issues and submit a report containing  
24 specific recommendations to the President of the Senate and  
25 the Speaker of the House of Representatives by January 1,  
26 2008.

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