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11 Senator Bennett moved the following amendment:

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13 **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

14 On page 1, line 16, through page 2, line 9, delete

15 those lines

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17 and insert:

18 Section 1. The Legislature finds that it is in the

19 public interest to promote alternative and renewable energy

20 technologies in this state, including alternative fuels and

21 technologies for electric power plants and motor vehicles,

22 energy conservation, distributed generation, advanced

23 transmission methods, and pollution and greenhouse gas

24 control. Both Florida and the United States in general are

25 overly dependent on foreign oil to meet the energy needs of

26 buildings and motor vehicles. Alternative and renewable energy

27 and energy conservation technologies have the potential to

28 decrease this dependency, minimize volatility of fuel cost,

29 and improve environmental conditions. In-state research,

30 development, deployment, and use of these technologies can

31 make the state a leader in new and innovative technologies and

1 encourage investment and economic development in this state.

2 (1) The Energy Policy Governance Task Force is created
3 to recommend a unified approach to state energy policy
4 including energy conservation and research, development, and
5 the deployment of alternative and renewable energy technology.

6 The task force shall review the programs and policies of the
7 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the
8 Department of Environmental Protection, the State University
9 System, the Public Service Commission, and other relevant
10 public and private-sector entities in preparing its
11 recommendations.

12 (2) The task force shall be composed of the following
13 members:

14 (a) two members appointed by the President of the
15 Senate;

16 (b) two members appointed by the Speaker of the House
17 of Representative;

18 (c) two members appointed by the Governor;

19 (d) the Commissioner of Agriculture or a designee;

20 (e) the Secretary of the Department of Environmental
21 Protection or a designee;

22 (f) a vice-president for research designated by the
23 Council of Vice-Presidents for State University Research;

24 (g) the Chair of the Florida Energy Commission or a
25 designee;

26 (h) the Public Counsel.

27 (3) Task force members shall be appointed no later
28 than August 1, 2007. Members shall choose a chair and
29 vice-chair from the membership of the task force.

30 (4) In developing its recommendations, the task force
31 shall determine the appropriate approach to provide a

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1 coordinated statewide effort to:

2 (a) Promote the state as a leader in new and
3 innovative technologies and, in cooperation with Enterprise
4 Florida, Inc., as a location for businesses having operations
5 related to alternative and renewable energy technologies;

6 (b) Promote alternative and renewable energy
7 technologies, including alternative fuels and technologies for
8 electric power plants and motor vehicles, energy conservation,
9 distributed generation, advance transmission methods, and
10 pollution and greenhouse gas control.

11 (c) Administer funding of matching grants for
12 demonstration, commercialization, research, and development of
13 projects relating to bioenergy and renewable energy
14 technologies;

15 (d) Assist the state universities and the private
16 sector in determining the areas on which to focus research in
17 alternative and renewable energy technology and assist in
18 coordinating research projects among the universities and
19 relevant private-sector entities; and

20 (e) Assist universities, other state entities, and
21 private-sector entities in raising funds from all available
22 public or private-sector sources for projects concerning
23 research, development, or deployment of alternative and
24 renewable energy technology, including projects that involve
25 the production of, improvements in, or use of alternative and
26 renewable energy technology in this state.

27 (5) The task force shall be jointly staffed by staff
28 assigned by the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the
29 Speaker of the House of Representatives.

30 (6) No later than February 1, 2008, the task force
31 shall submit its recommendations to the Governor, the

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1 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
2 Representatives.

3 (7) The task force shall expire on June 30, 2008.

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7 And the title is amended as follows:

8 On page 1, line 12, after the semicolon,

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10 insert:

11 A bill to be entitled
12 An act relating to energy; creating the Energy
13 Policy Governance Task Force; providing for
14 appointment of members, for responsibility and
15 for operations; providing that the task force
16 expires June 30, 2008;

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