

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative Hinson offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 166 and 167, insert:

(i) The Energy Equity Task Force, a task force as defined in s. 20.03(8), is created adjunct to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to provide recommendations for fostering a fair and equitable transition of the state's energy infrastructure to renewable energy technologies within minority, underserved, rural, and low-income communities. The task force shall comply with the requirements of s. 20.052.

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12 1. The task force shall consist, at a minimum, of the  
13 following 11 members who reflect the ethnic and gender diversity  
14 of the state:

15 a. At least nine private citizen members appointed by the  
16 Commissioner of Agriculture as follows:

17 (I) Four representatives from minority, underserved,  
18 rural, or low-income communities from different regions of this  
19 state.

20 (II) At least one environmental justice expert.

21 (III) At least one representative from the electrical  
22 workers profession.

23 (IV) At least two energy industry liaisons.

24 (V) At least one representative from a statewide  
25 environmental group.

26 b. One Senator appointed by the President of the Senate.

27 c. One member of the House of Representatives appointed by  
28 the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

29 2. The task force shall:

30 a. Recommend appropriate policies, including any necessary  
31 statutory revisions, for the equitable siting of energy  
32 infrastructure throughout the state, including, but not limited  
33 to:

34 (I) The siting of utility-scale solar arrays in  
35 nonresidential neighborhoods, nonrural residential communities,  
36 and rural communities; and

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37 (II) The siting of industrial solar array facility sites  
38 in a manner compatible with county or municipality comprehensive  
39 plans.

40 b. Examine strategies to assist minority, underserved,  
41 rural, and low-income communities in transitioning to energy  
42 efficient technologies, including energy-efficient appliances,  
43 weatherization, and other technologies and methods that will  
44 lower energy costs.

45 3. The department shall provide staffing and  
46 administrative support to the task force in performing its  
47 duties.

48 4. The task force shall submit a report of its  
49 recommendations to the Governor, the Commissioner of  
50 Agriculture, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the  
51 House of Representatives by September 30, 2023.

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54 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

55 Remove line 18 and insert:  
56 requirements; providing applicability; creating the  
57 Energy Equity Task Force adjunct to the Department of  
58 Agriculture and Consumer Services; specifying  
59 membership; providing duties of the task force;  
60 requiring the department to provide staffing and  
61 administrative support to the task force; requiring

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62 | that the task force submit a report of its  
63 | recommendations to specified entities by a specified  
64 | date; providing an

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