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QUALIFIED LANDFILL GAS

House Bill 4928
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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4928 AS INTRODUCED 7-8-93

The public service commission enabling act requires public utilities with more than half a million customers in the state to enter into power purchase agreements for the purchase of capacity and energy from resource recovery facilities that process qualified solid waste or scrap tires, provided certain conditions are met. The act's definition of a "resource recovery facility" includes the requirement that the facility "utilize at least 80 percent of its total annual fuel input in the form of qualified solid waste, at least 90 percent of its total input in the form of landfill gas, or 90 percent of its total annual fuel input in the form of scrap tires, exclusive of fuel used for normal start-up and shutdown."

The bill would amend the act so that the definition of resource recovery facility referred to "qualified landfill gas" and so that utilities would specifically be required to enter power purchase agreements with facilities incinerating qualified landfill gas. A definition of "qualified landfill gas" would be provided: gas reclaimed from a Type II landfill as defined in rules.

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