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S.B. 1000: COMMITTEE SUMMARY

Senate Bill 1000 (as introduced 12-12-07) Sponsor: Senator Patricia L. Birkholz

Committee: Energy Policy and Public Utilities

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Management and Budget Act to require the Department of Management and Budget (DMB) to enter into contracts with electrical energy providers to provide that by the specified dates not less than the following percentage of the electricity used in all State facilities would be generated from a renewable energy source:

- -- January 1, 2009, 3%.
- -- January 1, 2010, 10%.
- -- January 1, 2020, 20%.
- -- January 1, 2025, 25%.

The DMB would not have to comply with the bill's requirements in a year in which the price of electricity produced by a renewable energy source was greater than 5% of the price of electricity produced by a nonrenewable energy source.

"Renewable energy source" would mean that term as defined in Section 10g of Public Act 3 of 1939, the Public Service Commission law. That section defines the term as energy generated by solar, wind, geothermal, biomass, including waste-to-energy and landfill gas, or hydroelectric.

Proposed MCL 18.1257 Legislative Analyst: Julie Cassidy

FISCAL IMPACT

There is a potential for some savings; however, the amount is indeterminate. It is not known whether all locations where the Department would enter into contracts would be able to provide a renewable energy source. The amount of savings, if any, would depend on the availability of renewable energy sources. The bill would have no fiscal impact on local government.

Fiscal Analyst: Joe Carrasco

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