
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6044

State of Washington

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By Senate Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters (originally sponsored by Senator Honeyford)

READ FIRST TIME 01/20/12.

1 AN ACT Relating to the supply of water by public utility districts
2 bordered by the Columbia river to be used in pumped storage projects;
3 and adding a new section to chapter 54.16 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 54.16 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the
8 contrary, a public utility district bordered by the Columbia river may
9 supply any water, as authorized by a water right under its control, to
10 be used in a pumped storage generating facility to any entity that
11 sells electric energy or water, directly or indirectly, to the public,
12 and contracts therefor must extend over the period of years and contain
13 the terms and conditions for the sale thereof as the commission of the
14 public utility district elects. Such a contract may only be made
15 pursuant to resolution of the commission authorizing such a contract,
16 and the resolution must be introduced at a meeting of the commission at
17 least ten days prior to the date of the adoption of the resolution.

1 However, the commission shall first make adequate provision for the
2 needs of the public utility district, both actual and prospective.

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