
SENATE BILL 6763

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By Senators Parlette, Sheldon, Mulliken, Delvin and Poulsen

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1 AN ACT Relating to encouraging the use of hydroelectric power as a
2 renewable energy resource; adding a new section to chapter 43.21F RCW;
3 and creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that:

6 (1) Water is a clean and sustainable resource that produces clean,
7 efficient, and low-cost power;

8 (2) There is an increasing demand for clean and renewable power;

9 (3) Hydroelectric power is an abundant and reliable source of power
10 with potential for growth;

11 (4) Hydroelectric power makes a valuable contribution to the
12 state's electricity network and accounts for more than half of the
13 state's overall fuel mix; and

14 (5) Hydroelectric power balances the needs of the environment with
15 the need for clean, nonpolluting, reliable, and abundant electricity
16 for the electrical market.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.21F RCW
18 to read as follows:

1 It is the policy of the state of Washington to recognize
2 hydroelectric power as a renewable energy resource and to encourage its
3 use.

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