Washington State House of Representatives

BILL **ANALYSIS**

Office of Program Research

Environment & Energy Committee

E2SSB 5116
Brief Description: Supporting Washington's clean energy economy and transitioning to a clean,

affordable, and reliable energy future.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Carlyle, Palumbo, McCoy, Pedersen, Wellman, Das, Rolfes, Frockt, Wilson, C., Kuderer, Nguyen, Keiser, Liias, Hunt, Saldaña, Darneille and Billig; by request of Governor Inslee).

Brief Summary of Engrossed Second Substitute Bill

- Requires all electric utilities to eliminate coal-fired resources from their allocation of electricity by December 31, 2025 (Coal Elimination Standard).
- Requires that all retail sales of electricity to Washington customers be greenhouse gas neutral by January 1, 2030 (Greenhouse Gas Neutral Standard).
- Establishes a statewide policy that nonemitting and renewable resources supply 100 percent of all retail sales of electricity to Washington customers by January 1, 2045 (Clean Energy Policy).
- Establishes an administrative penalty of \$60 per megawatt-hour of electric generation for noncompliance with the Coal Elimination Standard or Greenhouse Gas Neutral Standard.
- Extends the expiration date for a sales and use tax exemption for certain alternative energy machinery and equipment from January 1, 2020, to January 1, 2030.
- Amends the Energy Independence Act.

Hearing Date: 3/5/19

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Background: test **Summary of Bill: Appropriation: Fiscal Note: Effective Date:**

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