

Senate File 169 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring electric public utilities to offer an alternate
2 power purchase program.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 2288SS 83
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1 1 Section 1. Section 476.6, Code 2009, is amended by adding
1 2 the following new subsection:
1 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 23. ALTERNATE POWER PURCHASE PROGRAM.
1 4 Electric public utilities shall develop and offer to customers
1 5 an alternate power purchase program whereby the customer has
1 6 the option of designating that a specified percentage of their
1 7 energy usage be derived from alternate and renewable energy
1 8 sources. The program shall be offered on a voluntary basis,
1 9 and may involve the imposition of a monthly contribution or
1 10 charge by the utility upon the customer to partially or fully
1 11 offset the added expense of obtaining energy from an alternate
1 12 or renewable source. The specified percentages shall include,
1 13 at a minimum, twenty-five percent, fifty percent, and one
1 14 hundred percent usage from alternate and renewable sources.
1 15 Program parameters and requirements shall be established by
1 16 the board by rule.

EXPLANATION

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1 18 This bill requires electric public utilities to offer to
1 19 customers an alternate power purchase program. The program
1 20 would offer customers the option of designating that a
1 21 specified percentage of their energy usage be derived from
1 22 alternate and renewable energy sources. The bill states that
1 23 the program would be voluntary and that a monthly contribution
1 24 or charge could be imposed upon the customer by the utility to
1 25 partially or fully offset the added expense of obtaining
1 26 energy from an alternate or renewable source. The bill
1 27 specifies various required percentages, and directs the
1 28 utilities board of the utilities division of the department of
1 29 commerce to establish program parameters and requirements by
1 30 rule.
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