SENATE FILE 444 BY COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1241)

## A BILL FOR

- An Act providing a sales tax exemption for hydroelectricity
   conversion property.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 423.3, subsection 54, Code 2013, is
2 amended to read as follows:

54. <u>a.</u> The sales price from the sale of wind energy 4 conversion property <u>or hydroelectricity conversion property</u> 5 to be used as an electric power source and the sale of the 6 materials used to manufacture, install, or construct wind 7 energy conversion property <u>or hydroelectricity conversion</u> 8 <u>property</u> used or to be used as an electric power source.

9 b. For purposes of this subsection, "wind:

10 (1) *Wind energy conversion property"* means any device, 11 including but not limited to a wind charger, windmill, 12 wind turbine, tower and electrical equipment, pad mount 13 transformers, power lines, and substation, which converts wind 14 energy to a form of usable energy.

15 (2) "Hydroelectricity conversion property" means any device, 16 including but not limited to a generator, turbine, powerhouse, 17 intake, coffer dam, walls, water conduit, tailrace, any other 18 concrete components, electrical equipment substation, poles, 19 wires, transformers, breakers, and switches used to convert 20 water, water power, or hydroelectricity to a form of usable

21 energy.

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## EXPLANATION

23 This bill exempts hydroelectricity conversion property from 24 sales tax.

25 Currently, Code section 423.3, subsection 54, provides 26 a sales tax exemption for the sales price of wind energy 27 conversion property to be used as an electric power source and 28 the sale of the materials used to manufacture, install, or 29 construct wind energy conversion property used or to be used 30 as an electric power source. The bill makes this provision 31 equally applicable to hydroelectricity conversion property, as 32 defined in the bill.

33 By operation of Code section 423.6, an item exempt from the 34 imposition of the sales tax is also exempt from the use tax 35 imposed in Code section 423.5.

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