



Senate Special Session Committee on Energy Policies

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Summary Special Session House Bill 36, P.N. 41

Prime Sponsor: Rep. George

Overview

Creates a State Energy Office within the Department of Environmental Protection to promote the goals of energy development and conservation.

Powers & Duties

The State Energy Office shall:

- Promote the development of the Commonwealth's indigenous and renewable energy resources
- Assist state agencies in promoting the efficient use of energy by state government
- Serve as the lead agency on energy policy development matters for the Commonwealth
- Serve as the primary manager and coordinator for federal energy grants and other sources of funding
- Monitor petroleum prices and supplies
- Promote the establishment of a regional strategic heating oil and diesel fuel reserve in the mid-Atlantic states

Advisory Council

Authorizes the creation of an advisory council to assist the State Energy Office. Members shall be chosen from among members of the General Assembly, business and transportation community, public officials and the general public.

Effective Date

This act shall take effect in 60 days.