

Amend CSSB 1863 (House Committee Report) by adding the following appropriately numbered ARTICLE to the bill and renumbering subsequent ARTICLES of the bill accordingly:

ARTICLE __. POWER MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

SECTION __.01. Subchapter F, Chapter 2054, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2054.133 to read as follows:

Sec. 2054.133. POWER MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE. (a) After researching the software available, the department shall select power management software to be used, if technically feasible, by state agencies, including institutions of higher education as defined by Section 61.003, Education Code, to reduce the amount of energy required to operate state computer networks and networked personal computers.

(b) As determined by the department, each state agency, including an institution of higher education, that would benefit from using power management software that would provide cost savings to this state in the state fiscal biennium ending August 31, 2007, shall purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire the software for the agency's computer networks to manage the energy usage of the agency's networked personal computers.