

1-1 By: Christian, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Fraser) H.B. No. 1214
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 16, 2007;
1-3 April 17, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Business and Commerce; May 21, 2007, reported favorably by the
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1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the goal of installing additional capacity for
1-9 generating renewable energy.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Sections 39.904(a) and (c), Utilities Code, are
1-12 amended to read as follows:

1-13 (a) It is the intent of the legislature that by January 1,
1-14 2015, an additional 5,000 megawatts of generating capacity from
1-15 renewable energy technologies will have been installed in this
1-16 state. The cumulative installed renewable capacity in this state
1-17 shall total 5,880 megawatts by January 1, 2015, and the commission
1-18 shall establish a target of 10,000 megawatts of installed renewable
1-19 capacity by January 1, 2025. The cumulative installed renewable
1-20 capacity in this state shall total 2,280 megawatts by January 1,
1-21 2007, 3,272 megawatts by January 1, 2009, 4,264 megawatts by
1-22 January 1, 2011, 5,256 megawatts by January 1, 2013, and 5,880
1-23 megawatts by January 1, 2015. Of the cumulative renewable energy
1-24 technology generating capacity installed to meet the goal of this
1-25 subsection after September 1, 2007 [2005], a total of [the
1-26 commission shall establish a target of having] at least 500
1-27 megawatts of capacity from [a] renewable energy technologies
1-28 [technology] other than [a source using] wind energy technologies
1-29 shall be installed by January 1, 2015.

1-30 (c) The [Not later than January 1, 2000, the] commission
1-31 shall adopt rules necessary to administer and enforce this section.
1-32 At a minimum, the rules shall:

1-33 (1) establish the minimum annual renewable energy
1-34 requirement, including a minimum annual requirement for the
1-35 installation of generating capacity from renewable energy
1-36 technologies other than wind energy technologies, for each retail
1-37 electric provider, municipally owned utility, and electric
1-38 cooperative operating in this state in a manner reasonably
1-39 calculated by the commission to produce, on a statewide basis,
1-40 compliance with the requirement prescribed by Subsection (a); and

1-41 (2) specify reasonable performance standards that all
1-42 renewable capacity additions must meet to count against the
1-43 requirement prescribed by Subsection (a) and that:

1-44 (A) are designed and operated so as to maximize
1-45 the energy output from the capacity additions in accordance with
1-46 then-current industry standards; and

1-47 (B) encourage the development, construction, and
1-48 operation of new renewable energy projects at those sites in this
1-49 state that have the greatest economic potential for capture and
1-50 development of this state's environmentally beneficial renewable
1-51 resources.

1-52 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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