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H.B. No. 2194

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the goal of installing additional capacity for  
3 generating renewable energy.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

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

7 (a) It is the intent of the legislature that by January 1,  
8 2015, an additional 5,000 megawatts of generating capacity from  
9 renewable energy technologies will have been installed in this  
10 state. The cumulative installed renewable capacity in this state  
11 shall total 5,880 megawatts by January 1, 2015, and the commission  
12 shall establish a target of 10,000 megawatts of installed renewable  
13 capacity by January 1, 2025. The cumulative installed renewable  
14 capacity in this state shall total [~~2,280 megawatts by January 1,~~  
15 ~~2007, 3,272 megawatts by January 1, 2009,~~] 4,264 megawatts by  
16 January 1, 2011, 5,256 megawatts by January 1, 2013, and 5,880  
17 megawatts by January 1, 2015. Of the cumulative renewable energy  
18 technology generating capacity installed to meet the goal of this  
19 subsection after September 1, 2009 [~~2005~~], a total of [~~the~~  
20 ~~commission shall establish a target of having~~] at least 500  
21 megawatts of capacity from [~~a~~] renewable energy technologies  
22 [~~technology~~] other than [~~a source using~~] wind energy technologies  
23 shall be installed by January 1, 2017.

24 (c) The [~~Not later than January 1, 2000, the~~] commission

1 shall adopt rules necessary to administer and enforce this section.

2 At a minimum, the rules shall:

3 (1) establish the minimum annual renewable energy  
4 requirement, including a minimum annual requirement for the  
5 installation of generating capacity from renewable energy  
6 technologies other than wind energy technologies, for each retail  
7 electric provider, municipally owned utility, and electric  
8 cooperative operating in this state in a manner reasonably  
9 calculated by the commission to produce, on a statewide basis,  
10 compliance with the requirement prescribed by Subsection (a); and

11 (2) specify reasonable performance standards that all  
12 renewable capacity additions must meet to count against the  
13 requirement prescribed by Subsection (a) and that:

14 (A) are designed and operated so as to maximize  
15 the energy output from the capacity additions in accordance with  
16 then-current industry standards; and

17 (B) encourage the development, construction, and  
18 operation of new renewable energy projects at those sites in this  
19 state that have the greatest economic potential for capture and  
20 development of this state's environmentally beneficial renewable  
21 resources.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.