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Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Introduced by:
(ET)

AN ACT CREATING THE ENERGY INDEPENDENCE STRATEGY BOARD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established an
2 Energy Independence Strategy Board. Such board shall consist of the
3 following members: (1) The president of the Renewable Energy
4 Investments Funds, or the president's designee; (2) the executive
5 director of the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology; (3) the
6 executive director of the Center for Sustainable Energy; (4) a
7 representative of the Connecticut energy service industry appointed by
8 the president pro tempore of the Senate; (5) a representative of an
9 electric distribution company appointed by the speaker of the House of
10 Representatives; (6) a representative of an electric distribution
11 company appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; (7) a
12 representative of the state's gas companies appointed by the majority
13 leader of the House of Representatives; (8) a representative of the
14 state's oil companies appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
15 (9) a representative of a municipal energy cooperative appointed by
16 the minority leader of the House of Representatives; (10) the

17 Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's designee; and
18 (11) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the
19 secretary's designee. The Connecticut Center for Advanced
20 Technologies shall provide administrative support for said board.

21 (b) The board established pursuant to subsection (a) of this section
22 shall analyze energy efficiency opportunities provided pursuant to the
23 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, including
24 categorical funds and competitive discretionary grant money, and
25 recommend how to expend money in a strategic way to enhance
26 Connecticut's energy independence and economic development
27 opportunities.

28 (c) On or before sixty days after the effective date of this section, the
29 Energy Independence Strategy Board shall report, in accordance with
30 the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint
31 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
32 matters relating to energy, commerce and human services with any
33 recommendations pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To develop a strategic plan for federal funding to enhance Connecticut's energy independence and economic development opportunities.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]