

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1340

Page 1, line 1, after "provide" insert "for the development and enforcement of wind turbine reclamation standards by the public service commission and"

Page 1, after line 2, insert:

"SECTION 1. Wind turbine reclamation standards - Public service commission duties. The public service commission shall define wind turbine land restoration standards and require that all lessees of land for the erection and operation of wind turbines provide security that the wind turbine site will be reclaimed. The public service commission may require insurance, bonds, escrow accounts, or any other mechanism the commission determines adequate, payable to the state, to compensate the state for reclaiming wind turbine sites should the lessee fail to do so within twelve months of cessation of operation of a wind turbine on the site. The public service commission shall define land reclamation standards for reclaiming all abandoned wind turbine sites in the state. The public service commission shall require that all contracts entered after the effective date of this Act for the lease of land for purposes of wind turbine siting require at a minimum that the lessee restore, at the lessee's expense, the wind turbine site according to standards developed by the commission for the restoration, within twelve months after the wind turbine ceases operation or the expiration of the lease for the site, whichever occurs first."

Renumber accordingly