

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 796

Introduced by Assembly Member Muratsuchi

February 21, 2013

An act to add Section 25525.5 to the Public Resources Code, relating to energy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 796, as introduced, Muratsuchi. Energy: thermal powerplants: certification: sea level rise.

Existing law vests the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission with the exclusive jurisdiction to certify sites for thermal powerplants with a generation capacity of 50 or more megawatts and related facilities. Existing law requires the commission to make certain findings before issuing a certification for the site.

This bill would require the commission to consider the effects of sea level rise on the proposed site and related facility during the certification process.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 25525.5 is added to the Public Resources
- 2 Code, to read:

- 1 25525.5. In the issuance of a certification pursuant to this
- 2 chapter, the commission shall consider the effects of sea level rise
- 3 on the proposed site and related facility.

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