## ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1191

## **Introduced by Assembly Member Patterson**

February 22, 2013

An act to amend Section 25301 of the Public Resources Code, relating to energy.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1191, as introduced, Patterson. Energy: assessments and forecasts. Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, at least every 2 years, to conduct assessments and forecasts of all aspects of energy industry supply, production, transportation, delivery and distribution, demand, and prices.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to this provision.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 25301 of the Public Resources Code is 2 amended to read:

25301. (a) At least every two years, the commission shall
conduct assessments and forecasts of all aspects of energy industry
supply, production, transportation, delivery and distribution,
demand, and prices. The commission shall use these assessments
and forecasts to develop energy policies that conserve resources,
protect the environment, ensure energy reliability, enhance the
state's economy, and protect public health and safety. To perform

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these assessments and forecasts, the commission may require 1 2 submission of demand forecasts, resource plans, market 3 assessments, and related outlooks from electric and natural gas utilities, transportation fuel and technology suppliers, and other 4 market participants. These assessments and forecasts shall be done 5 in consultation with the appropriate state and federal agencies 6 7 including, but not limited to, the Public Utilities Commission, the 8 Office Division of Ratepayer Advocates, the State Air Resources Board, the Electricity Oversight Board, the Independent System 9 Operator, the Department of Water Resources, the California 10 Consumer Power and Conservation Financing Authority, the 11 Department of Transportation, and the Department of Motor 12 13 Vehicles. 14 (b) In developing the assessments and forecasts prepared 15 pursuant to subdivision (a), the commission shall do all of the 16 following: 17 (1) Provide information about the performance of energy 18 industries. 19 (2) Develop and maintain the analytical capability sufficient to 20 answer inquiries about energy issues from government, market 21 participants, and the public. (3) Analyze and develop energy policies. 22 (4) Provide an analytical foundation for regulatory and policy 23

24 decisionmaking.

25 (5) Facilitate efficient and reliable energy markets.

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