

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2229

Introduced by Assembly Member Bradford

February 20, 2014

An act to add Section 454.57 to the Public Utilities Code, relating to energy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2229, as introduced, Bradford. Energy efficiency: military bases and facilities.

Under existing law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations and gas corporations, as defined. The Public Utilities Act requires the Public Utilities Commission to review and adopt a procurement plan for each electrical corporation in accordance with specified elements, incentive mechanisms, and objectives. The act requires that an electrical corporation's proposed procurement plan include certain elements, including a showing that the electrical corporation will first meet its unmet needs through all available energy efficiency and demand reduction resources that are cost effective, reliable, and feasible. Existing law requires the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, to identify all potentially achievable cost-effective electricity efficiency savings, and to establish efficiency targets for electrical corporations to achieve pursuant to their procurement plan.

The act requires the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, to identify all potentially achievable cost-effective natural gas efficiency savings and to establish efficiency targets for gas

corporations to achieve, and requires that a gas corporation first meet its unmet resource needs through all available gas efficiency and demand reduction resources that are cost effective, reliable, and feasible.

This bill would require the commission, in consultation with the Energy Commission and the Department of Defense, to identify all potentially achievable cost-effective electricity efficiency savings at military bases and facilities in the state, and to establish efficiency targets for an electrical corporation to achieve at military bases and facilities.

This bill would require the commission, in consultation with the Energy Commission and the Department of Defense, to identify all potentially achievable cost-effective natural gas efficiency savings at military bases and facilities in the state and to establish efficiency targets for the gas corporation to achieve at military bases and facilities.

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. The Legislature finds and declares all of the
- 2 following:
- 3 (a) The Department of Defense is required to comply with laws
- 4 enacted by Congress, executive orders, and goals established by
- 5 military leaders, including requirements for 3 percent annual
- 6 reductions in facility energy intensity , which is measured by
- 7 energy used per gross square foot.
- 8 (b) The Department of Defense is reducing energy demand
- 9 through conservation and efficiency. The Department of Defense
- 10 is improving the efficiency of its existing buildings through
- 11 retrofitting, including the use of advanced lighting, heating,
- 12 ventilation, and air conditioning technologies.
- 13 (c) Department of Defense military bases and facilities located
- 14 in California pay into California energy public purpose programs
- 15 that fund energy efficiency and other programs.
- 16 (d) There is currently no targeted partnership with Department
- 17 of Defense military bases and facilities located in California to
- 18 ensure that funding available for energy efficiency improvements
- 19 through programs authorized by the Public Utilities Commission
- 20 are directed towards Department of Defense military bases and
- 21 facilities located in California.

1 SEC. 2. Section 454.57 is added to the Public Utilities Code,
2 to read:

3 454.57. Through an existing or new proceeding, the
4 commission, in consultation with the Energy Commission and the
5 Department of Defense, shall do the following:

6 (a) Identify all potentially achievable cost-effective electricity
7 efficiency savings at military bases and facilities in the state and
8 establish efficiency targets for electrical corporations to achieve
9 at military bases and facilities in the state pursuant to Section 454.5.

10 (b) Identify all potentially achievable cost-effective natural gas
11 efficiency savings at military bases and facilities in the state and
12 establish efficiency targets for gas corporations to achieve at
13 military bases and facilities in the state pursuant to Section 454.56.

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