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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1330**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Bloom**

February 27, 2015

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An act to amend Sections 454.55 and 454.56 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to energy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1330, as amended, Bloom. Energy efficiency.

Under existing law, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) has regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical and gas corporations. Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, on or before November 1, 2017, and every ~~third~~ 3rd year thereafter, in collaboration with the PUC and local publicly owned electric utilities, to establish annual targets for statewide energy efficiency savings and demand reduction that will achieve a cumulative doubling of statewide energy efficiency

savings in electricity and natural gas final end uses of retail customers by January 1, 2030. Existing law requires the PUC to identify all potentially achievable cost-effective electricity and natural gas efficiency savings and to establish efficiency targets for electrical and gas corporations to achieve.

This bill would require the PUC to ensure that there are sufficient moneys available for electrical and gas corporations to meet those efficiency targets, and, if the PUC finds that additional moneys are necessary to meet those targets, to increase available moneys up to 20% per year until the moneys available for energy efficiency savings and demand reduction doubles from the amount authorized on January 1, 2016. *targets.*

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 454.55 of the Public Utilities Code is  
2 amended to read:

3 454.55. (a) The commission, in consultation with the Energy  
4 Commission, shall identify all potentially achievable cost-effective  
5 electricity efficiency savings and establish efficiency targets for  
6 an electrical corporation to achieve, pursuant to Section 454.5,  
7 consistent with the targets established pursuant to subdivision (c)  
8 of Section 25310 of the Public Resources Code.

9 (1) By July 1, 2018, and every four years thereafter, each  
10 electrical corporation shall report on its progress toward achieving  
11 the targets established pursuant to subdivision (a).

12 (2) By July 1, 2019, and every four years thereafter, the  
13 commission shall, pursuant to Section 9795 of the Government  
14 Code, report to the Legislature on the progress toward achieving  
15 the targets established pursuant to subdivision (a). The commission  
16 shall include specific strategies for, and an update on, progress  
17 toward maximizing the contribution of electricity efficiency savings  
18 in disadvantaged communities identified pursuant to Section 39711  
19 of the Health and Safety Code.

20 (b) (1) By December 31, 2023, the commission shall, in a new  
21 or existing proceeding, undertake a comprehensive review of the  
22 feasibility, costs, barriers, and benefits of achieving a cumulative  
23 doubling of energy efficiency savings and demand reduction by

1 2030 pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 25310 of the Public  
2 Resources Code.

3 (2) Notwithstanding subdivision (c) of Section 25310 of the  
4 Public Resources Code, if the commission concludes the targets  
5 established for electrical corporations to achieve pursuant to  
6 subdivision (a) are not cost effective, feasible, or pose potential  
7 adverse impacts to public health and safety, the commission shall  
8 revise the targets to the level that optimizes the amount of energy  
9 efficiency savings and demand reduction and shall modify, revise,  
10 or update its policies as needed to address barriers preventing  
11 achievement of those targets.

12 (c) The commission shall ensure that there are sufficient moneys  
13 available to electrical corporations to meet the efficiency targets  
14 established pursuant to subdivision (a). ~~If the commission finds~~  
15 ~~that additional moneys are necessary to meet those targets, the~~  
16 ~~commission shall increase available moneys up to 20 percent per~~  
17 ~~year until the moneys available for energy efficiency savings and~~  
18 ~~demand reduction doubles from the amount authorized on January~~  
19 ~~1, 2016.~~ This subdivision shall not be construed to authorize the  
20 commission to impose or increase any tax.

21 SEC. 2. Section 454.56 of the Public Utilities Code is amended  
22 to read:

23 454.56. (a) The commission, in consultation with the Energy  
24 Commission, shall identify all potentially achievable cost-effective  
25 natural gas efficiency savings and establish efficiency targets for  
26 the gas corporation to achieve, consistent with the targets  
27 established pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 25310 of the  
28 Public Resources Code.

29 (b) A gas corporation shall first meet its unmet resource needs  
30 through all available natural gas efficiency and demand reduction  
31 resources that are cost effective, reliable, and feasible.

32 (c) By July 1, 2018, and every four years thereafter, each gas  
33 corporation shall report on its progress toward achieving the targets  
34 established pursuant to subdivision (a).

35 (d) By July 1, 2019, and every four years thereafter, the  
36 commission shall, pursuant to Section 9795 of the Government  
37 Code, report to the Legislature on the progress toward achieving  
38 the targets ~~establish~~ *established* pursuant to subdivision (a). The  
39 commission shall include specific strategies for, and an update on,  
40 progress toward maximizing the contribution of energy efficiency

1 savings in disadvantaged communities identified pursuant to  
2 Section 39711 of the Health and Safety Code.

3 (e) Notwithstanding subdivision (c) of Section 25310 of the  
4 Public Resources Code, if the commission concludes in its review  
5 pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 454.55 that  
6 the targets established for gas corporations to achieve pursuant to  
7 subdivision (a) are not cost effective, feasible, or pose potential  
8 adverse impacts to public health and safety, the commission shall  
9 revise the targets to the level that maximizes the amount of energy  
10 efficiency savings and demand reduction and shall modify, revise,  
11 or update its policies as needed to address barriers preventing  
12 achievement of those targets.

13 (f) The commission shall ensure that there are sufficient moneys  
14 available to gas corporations to meet the efficiency targets  
15 established pursuant to subdivision (a). ~~If the commission finds  
16 that additional moneys are necessary to meet those targets, the  
17 commission shall increase available moneys up to 20 percent per  
18 year until the moneys available for energy efficiency savings and  
19 demand reduction doubles from the amount authorized on January  
20 1, 2016.~~ This subdivision shall not be construed to authorize the  
21 commission to impose or increase any tax.