## **Introduced by Assembly Member Quirk**

February 27, 2015

An act to add Section 38575 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to greenhouse gases.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1332, as introduced, Quirk. California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: offsets.

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The state board is required to adopt a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020, and to adopt rules and regulations in an open public process to achieve the maximum, technologically feasible, and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions. The act authorizes the state board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms.

This bill would require the state board, as part of a market-based compliance mechanism, to create an offset protocol for renewable energy projects that are able to ramp up or down during peak energy demands.

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

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

- SECTION 1. Section 38575 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
- 3 38575. If the state board has exercised its authority pursuant
- 4 to subdivision (a) of Section 38570, the state board shall create an
- 5 offset protocol for renewable energy projects that are able to ramp
- 6 up or down during peak energy demands to be used as part of that
- 7 market-based compliance mechanism.