

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1498

Introduced by Assembly Member Thurmond

February 27, 2015

An act to amend Section 705 of the Fish and Game Code, relating to renewable energy resources.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1498, as introduced, Thurmond. Renewable energy resources: comprehensive planning and environmental compliance services.

Existing law requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to establish an internal division with the primary purpose of performing comprehensive planning and environmental compliance services with priority given to projects involving the building of eligible renewable energy resources, as defined.

This bill would make a nonsubstantive change in those provisions.

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 705 of the Fish and Game Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 705. (a) For purposes of this section, “eligible renewable
- 4 energy resources” has the same meaning as in the California
- 5 Renewables Portfolio Standard Program (Article 16 (commencing
- 6 with Section 399.11) of Chapter 2.3 of Part 1 of Division 1 of the
- 7 Public Utilities Code).

1 (b) The department shall establish an internal division with the
2 primary purpose of performing comprehensive planning and
3 environmental compliance services with priority given to projects
4 ~~involving~~ *concerning* the building of eligible renewable energy
5 resources.

6 (c) The internal division shall ensure the timely completion of
7 plans pursuant to the Natural Community Conservation Planning
8 Act (Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 2800) of Division 3).

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