

**Introduced by Senator Hueso**

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

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

SB 1041, as introduced, Hueso. 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 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:  
3     25301. (a) At least every two years, the commission shall  
4     conduct assessments and forecasts of all aspects of energy industry  
5     supply, production, transportation, delivery and distribution,  
6     demand, and prices. The commission shall use these assessments  
7     and forecasts to develop and evaluate energy policies and programs  
8     that conserve resources, protect the environment, ensure energy  
9     reliability, enhance the state's economy, and protect public health  
10    and safety. To perform these assessments and forecasts, the  
11    commission may require submission of demand forecasts, resource  
12    plans, market assessments, related outlooks, individual customer

1 historic electric or gas service usage, or both, and individual  
2 customer historic billing data, in a format and level of granularity  
3 specified by the commission from electric and natural gas utilities,  
4 transportation fuel and technology suppliers, and other market  
5 participants. These assessments and forecasts shall be done in  
6 consultation with the appropriate state and federal agencies  
7 including, but not limited to, the Public Utilities Commission, the  
8 Office of Ratepayer Advocates, the *State* Air Resources Board,  
9 ~~the Electricity Oversight Board~~, the Independent System Operator,  
10 the Department of Water Resources, ~~the California Consumer~~  
11 ~~Power and Conservation Financing Authority~~, the Department of  
12 Transportation, and the Department of Motor Vehicles. The  
13 commission shall maintain reasonable policies and procedures to  
14 protect customer information from unauthorized disclosure.

15 (b) In developing the assessments and forecasts prepared  
16 pursuant to subdivision (a), the commission shall do all of the  
17 following:

18 (1) Provide information about the performance of energy  
19 industries.

20 (2) Develop and maintain the analytical capability sufficient to  
21 answer inquiries about energy issues from government, market  
22 participants, and the public.

23 (3) Analyze, develop, and evaluate energy policies and  
24 programs.

25 (4) Provide an analytical foundation for regulatory and policy  
26 decisionmaking.

27 (5) Facilitate efficient and reliable energy markets.