

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 887

Introduced by Assembly Member Krekorian

February 26, 2009

An act relating to energy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 887, as introduced, Krekorian. Energy.

Existing law makes the governing body of a local publicly owned electric utility responsible for implementing and enforcing a renewables portfolio standard that recognizes the intent of the Legislature to encourage renewable resources, while taking into consideration the effect of the standard on rates, reliability, and financial resources and the goal of environmental improvement.

Existing law prohibits an electrical corporation from beginning the construction of a plant, line, or system, extension of a plant, line, or system, without first obtaining from the Public Utilities Commission a certificate that the present or future public convenience and necessity require or will require that construction.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to address, the impediments to the siting of facilities that produce electricity from renewable sources of energy, and the placement and construction of transmission infrastructure necessary to allow that electricity to be consumed by California ratepayers.

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. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation to address, the impediments to the siting of facilities
- 3 that produce electricity from renewable sources of energy, and the
- 4 placement and construction of transmission infrastructure necessary
- 5 to allow that electricity to be consumed by California ratepayers.