

Subject Energy

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## Summary

Section	Description
1	<p><b>[216B.1691] Renewable energy objectives.</b></p> <p><b>Subd. 1. Definitions.</b> Amends the definition of “hydroelectric” to allow all such facilities, regardless of size or initial date of operation, to count towards a utility’s renewable energy standard.</p>
2	<p><b>[216B.1691] Renewable energy objectives.</b></p> <p><b>Subd. 2b. Modification or delay of standard.</b> Delays a utility’s requirement to meet a renewable energy standard if the utility’s retail rates are not at least five percent below the national average for all customer classes.</p>
3	<p><b>[216B.243] Certificate of need for large energy facility.</b></p> <p><b>Subd. 3b. Nuclear power plant; new construction prohibited; relicensing.</b> Lifts the prohibition on the Public Utilities Commission’s issuance of a certificate of need for construction of a new nuclear power plant.</p>
4	<p><b>[216B.2442] Retired fossil fuel electric generating plant; demolition.</b></p> <p>Prohibits a political subdivision from issuing a permit to demolish a fossil fuel powered electric generating plant if the retail rates of the utility owning the plant are not at least five percent below the national average for all customer classes.</p>
5	<p><b>[216H.022] Carbon capture and sequestration; state policy.</b></p> <p>Establishes as state policy support for the development and deployment of carbon capture and sequestration technologies as a means of meeting the state’s greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals.</p>
6	<p><b>[297A.67] General exemptions.</b></p> <p><b>Subd. 15. Residential heating fuels.</b> Extends to year-round the existing November–April sales tax exemption on natural gas and electricity consumed by residential customers who use those fuels for heating.</p>



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