

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Energy and Environmental Affairs, to which was referred House Bill No. 1033, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Delete the title and insert the following:
- 2 A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning
- 3 energy.
- 4 Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new
- 5 paragraph and insert:
- 6 "SECTION 1. IC 8-1-8.8-14 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 7 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 14. The group shall
- 8 conduct an annual study on the use, availability, and economics of
- 9 using renewable energy resources in Indiana. Each year, the group shall
- 10 submit a report on the study to the commission for inclusion in the
- 11 commission's annual report to the regulatory flexibility committee
- 12 described in IC 8-1-2.5-9 and IC 8-1-2.6-4. The report must include
- 13 suggestions from the group to encourage the development and use of
- 14 renewable energy resources and technologies appropriate for use in
- 15 Indiana. **In formulating the suggestions, the group shall:**
- 16 **(1) evaluate potential methane opportunities from biomass as**
- 17 **a source of renewable energy; and**
- 18 **(2) consider in the evaluation information provided by the**
- 19 **United States Environmental Protection Agency AgSTAR**
- 20 **Program."**
- 21 Page 2, delete lines 20 through 42, begin a new line double block

- 1 indented and insert:
- 2 **"(F) Facilitating the use of biomass to generate renewable**
- 3 **energy."**
- 4 Delete page 3.
- 5 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
(Reference is to HB 1033 as reprinted February 3, 2009.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass .

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

Senator Gard, Chairperson