

1 **COALITION OF ENERGY PRODUCING STATES**

2 2012 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Chief Sponsor: Roger E. Barrus**

5 Senate Sponsor: Scott K. Jenkins

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LONG TITLE

7 **General Description:**

8 This bill modifies provisions relating to an energy producer states' agreement.

9 **Highlighted Provisions:**

10 This bill:

11 **▶ ~~§~~ [~~changes the membership of the group of legislators appointed to participate in~~**
12 **~~multistate discussions involving agreements that encourage the development of~~**
13 **~~domestic energy resources;] ~~←~~ ~~§~~~~**

- 14 ▶ changes a reporting date; and
- 15 ▶ modifies a repeal date.

16 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

17 None

18 **Other Special Clauses:**

19 None

20 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

21 **AMENDS:**

22 **36-12-20**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 39

23 **63I-1-236**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 39

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

25 Section 1. Section **36-12-20** is amended to read:



28 **36-12-20. Membership selection -- Agreements -- Goals -- Meetings -- Reports.**

29 (1) The speaker of the House shall appoint two members and the president of the
 30 Senate shall appoint ~~two~~ [f] ~~two~~ members, [f] ~~two~~ ~~of which no more than three of the~~
 30a **four members shall be**
 31 **from the same political party,** [f] ~~two~~ ~~members~~ ~~of which no more than three of the~~ ~~four~~
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34 (2) The proposed energy producer states' agreement shall have the following goals:

- 35 (a) to encourage domestic development of energy in the United States;
 36 (b) to ensure the continued development of each state's domestic natural resources;
 37 (c) to deliver a unified message to the federal government from energy producing states
 38 by:

- 39 (i) participating in the development of proposed federal legislation and regulations; and
 40 (ii) making recommendations regarding existing federal law and regulations including
 41 the following:

- 42 (A) the Environmental Protection Act;
 43 (B) the Endangered Species Act; and
 44 (C) federal land access issues that affect the production of energy;
 45 (d) to eliminate or reduce overly broad federal legislation; and
 46 (e) to identify and address consequences of delays and cancellations of economically
 47 viable energy projects.

48 (3) Appointed members shall produce a report with recommendations regarding an
 49 energy producer states' agreement to the National Resources, Agriculture, and Environment
 50 Interim Committee ~~two~~ [f] ~~two~~ ~~members~~ ~~of which no more than three of the~~ ~~four~~
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52 (4) Salaries and expenses of the appointed members may be paid in accordance with
 53 Section 36-2-2 and Legislative Joint Rules, Title 5, Chapter 3, ~~Expenses~~ Expense and
 54 Mileage Reimbursement for Authorized Legislative Meetings, Special Sessions, and Veto
 55 Override Sessions.

56 (5) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff
 57 assistance as requested.

58 Section 2. Section **63I-1-236** is amended to read:

Senate Committee Amendments 2-7-2012 kh/tjn

House Floor Amendments 1-30-2012 le/tjn

House Committee Amendments 1-25-2012 je/tjn