ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB978

Hearing Date: Thursday February 04, 2010

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Mello

One Liner: Provide requirements relating to energy star certified appliances in the state's competitive bidding

process

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Avery, Giese, Janssen, Karpisek, Krist, Price, Sullivan

Nay:

Absent: 1 Senator Pahls

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Heath Mello Introducer

Doug Clark Metropolitan Utilities District

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

With LB 978, any appliance purchased or leased by the Department of Administrative Services under the competitive bidding process will be energy star certified. The material administrator may exempt the purchase or lease of an energy star certified appliance if he or she determines the cost of compliance would exceed the projected energy cost savings.

Energy star certified is defined in the bill as approval of energy usage by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Department of Energy. The approval may be signified by the display of the energy star label.

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