CHAPTER 2001-259

House Bill No. 1707

An act relating to energy management; amending s. 255.257, F.S.; removing provisions which direct the Department of Management Services to provide for an energy management plan for state agencies, and which require state agencies to submit certain energy data to the department; providing that the department may develop such a plan; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 255.257, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

255.257 Energy management plan; buildings occupied by state agencies.—

(1) DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITY.—The Department of Management Services shall constitute the responsible state agency for developing and implementing an energy management plan for state agencies occupying state-owned or state-leased buildings. The Department of Community Affairs shall assist in the development of this plan.

(1)(2) ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND COST DATA.—Each state agency shall <u>collect</u> submit, in the form and manner to be prescribed by the Department of Management Services, data on energy consumption and cost. The data gathered shall be on state-owned facilities and metered state-leased facilities of 5,000 net square feet or more. These data will be used in the computation of the effectiveness of the state energy management plan and the effectiveness of the energy management program of each of the reporting agencies. The department shall advise the various agencies on the effectiveness of their energy management programs.

(2)(3) ENERGY MANAGEMENT COORDINATORS.—Each state agency, the Florida Public Service Commission, the Department of Military Affairs, and the judicial branch shall appoint a coordinator whose responsibility shall be to advise the head of the agency on matters relating to energy consumption in facilities under the control of that head or in space occupied by the various units comprising that agency, in vehicles operated by that agency, and in other energy-consuming activities of the agency. The coordinator shall cooperate with the Department of Management Services in the implementation of the state energy management plan. The coordinator shall implement the energy management program jointly agreed upon by the agency concerned and the department.

(3)(4) CONTENTS OF THE STATE ENERGY MANAGEMENT PLAN.—The Department of Management Services <u>may shall</u> develop a state energy management plan consisting of, but not limited to, the following elements:

(a) Data-gathering requirements;

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- (b) Building energy audit procedures;
- (c) Uniform data analysis procedures;
- (d) Employee energy education program measures;
- (e) Energy consumption reduction techniques;
- (f) Training program for agency energy management coordinators; and
- (g) Guidelines for building managers.

The plan shall include a description of actions to reduce consumption of electricity and nonrenewable energy sources used for space heating and cooling, ventilation, lighting, water heating, and transportation.

(5) INFORMATION TRANSFER.—The state energy management plan, with results, shall be made available to aid in improving local government energy management programs.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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