
HOUSE BILL 1821

State of Washington

56th Legislature

1999 Regular Session

By Representatives G. Chandler, Linville, Schoesler, Quall, Thomas, Boldt and Dunn

Read first time 03/02/1999.

1 AN ACT Relating to a tax credit for water conservation for
2 purveyors of water; and amending RCW 82.16.055.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 82.16.055 and 1980 c 149 s 3 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) In computing tax under this chapter there shall be deducted
7 from the gross income:

8 (a) An amount equal to the cost of production at the plant for
9 consumption within the state of Washington of:

10 (i) Electrical energy produced or generated from cogeneration as
11 defined in RCW 82.35.020; and

12 (ii) Electrical energy or gas produced or generated from renewable
13 energy resources such as solar energy, wind energy, hydroelectric
14 energy, geothermal energy, wood, wood wastes, municipal wastes,
15 agricultural products and wastes, and end-use waste heat; and

16 (b) Those amounts expended to improve consumers' efficiency of
17 energy end use or to otherwise reduce the use of electrical energy or
18 gas by the consumer; and

1 (c) Those amounts expended to improve consumers' efficiency of
2 water use or to otherwise reduce the use of water by the consumer.

3 (2) This section applies only to new facilities for the production
4 or generation of energy from cogeneration or renewable energy resources
5 or measures to improve the efficiency of energy end use on which
6 construction or installation (~~is begun~~) began after June 12, 1980,
7 and before January 1, 1990.

8 (3) Deductions under subsection (1)(a) of this section shall be
9 allowed for a period not to exceed thirty years after the project is
10 placed in operation.

11 (4) Measures or projects encouraged under this section shall at the
12 time they are placed in service be reasonably expected to save,
13 produce, or generate energy at a total incremental system cost per unit
14 of energy delivered to end use which is less than or equal to the
15 incremental system cost per unit of energy delivered to end use from
16 similarly available conventional energy resources which utilize nuclear
17 energy or fossil fuels and which the gas or electric utility could
18 acquire to meet energy demand in the same time period.

19 (5) The department of revenue, after consultation with the
20 utilities and transportation commission in the case of investor-owned
21 utilities and the governing bodies of locally regulated utilities,
22 shall determine the eligibility of individual projects and measures for
23 deductions under this section.

--- END ---