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<u>2SHB 2349</u> - H AMD 755 By Representative Morris

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Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) Except as provided under subsection 4 (2), the state agency with the largest electricity load in its 5 service territory must, at the request of the generator to the agency in writing, purchase all available anaerobic digester power 6 from their local utility to the extent that it does not exceed the 7 agency's local annual electricity consumption. 8 State agencies shall pay for anaerobic digester power at a price no higher than 9 the retail price of qualified alternative energy product that their 10 11 local utility charges its customers as specified in RCW 19.29A.090.

12 (2) State agencies are not required to purchase all available
13 anaerobic digester power from their local utility if their utility
14 is exempt from offering a qualified alternative energy product.

(3) To the extent that a utility purchases power from an anaerobic digestion power producer in its service territory, the utility must pay the anaerobic digestion power producer for electricity produced at a rate that equals the average power purchase price it pays for power contracts exceeding 10 months in term plus the price the utility charges its voluntary customers of its qualified alternative energy product minus marketing costs."

**EFFECT:** Clarifies that only the state agency with the largest electricity load in a given service territory is required to purchase available anaerobic digester power. Adds that a state agency is only required to purchase anaerobic digester power at the generator's request. Changes the price state agencies must pay for anaerobic digestion power from the "green tag" rate, which is not defined in statute, to a price no higher than the retail price of qualified alternative energy that a local utility charges its customers under the Green Power Program. Changes the price a utility must pay a anaerobic digester producer from the "green tag" rate minus marketing costs to a

rate that equals the average power purchase price under longterm power contracts plus the incremental cost of renewable power minus marketing costs. Exempts state agencies from the requirement if their local utility is exempt from participating in the Green Power Program.