SB 5560-S - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 2ND SUB)

Finds that: (1) In chapter 14, Laws of 2008, the legislature established greenhouse gas emission reduction limits for Washington state, including a reduction of overall emissions by 2020 to emission levels in 1990, a reduction by 2035 to levels twenty-five percent below 1990 levels, and by 2050 a further reduction below 1990 levels. Based upon estimated 2006 emission levels in Washington, this will require a reduction from present emission levels of over twenty-five percent in the next eleven years;

(2) State government activities are a significant source of emissions; and

(3) State government should meet targets for reducing emissions from its buildings, vehicles, and all operations that demonstrate that these reductions are achievable and cost-effective and will help to promote innovative energy efficiency technologies and practices.

Requires all state agencies to: (1) Meet the statewide greenhouse gas emission limits established in RCW 70.235.020; and

(2) Report estimates of emissions for 2005 to the department of ecology, including 2009 levels of emissions, and projected emissions through 2035.