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SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5796

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By Senate Energy, Environment & Telecommunications (originally sponsored by Senators Schoesler and Ericksen)

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1 AN ACT Relating to emissions from certain emergency power sources; 2 and adding a new section to chapter 70.94 RCW.

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

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 70.94 RCW
to read as follows:

6 (1) Emergency engines or backup generators with a brake horsepower 7 rating greater than two thousand are in compliance for use at 8 hospitals, sewage treatment plants, data centers, and other vital 9 public services without further state air quality requirements if the 10 emergency engines:

11 (a) Meet United States environmental protection agency emission 12 standards;

(b) Are fueled by ultra-low sulfur diesel or ultra-low sulfur biodiesel, with a sulfur content of fifteen parts per million or 0.0015 percent sulfur by weight or less; and

16 (c) Are operated for maintenance, testing, or other nonemergency 17 use:

18 (i) A maximum of fifty hours per year;

19 (ii) Only during daylight hours; and

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(iii) Only one at a time.

(2) For the purposes of this section, an emergency engine means a
new, diesel-fueled, stationary compression ignition engine that is:

4 (a) Installed for the primary purpose of providing electrical power
5 or mechanical work during an emergency and is not the source of primary
6 power at the facility; and

7 (b) Operated to provide electrical power or mechanical work during 8 an emergency under the following conditions: (i) The failure or loss 9 of all or part of normal power service to a facility and the failure or 10 loss of normal power service is beyond the control of the facility; or 11 (ii) the failure or loss of all or part of a facility's internal power 12 distribution system.

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