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1.1A bill for an act

1.2relating to energy; modifying definition used to calculate renewable energy

1.3standard obligation; amending Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 216B.1691,

1.4subdivision 1.

1.5BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2010, section 216B.1691, subdivision 1, is amended to

1.7read:

1.8Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** (a) Unless otherwise specified in law, "eligible energy

1.9technology" means an energy technology that generates electricity from the following

1.10renewable energy sources:

- 1.11(1) solar;
- 1.12(2) wind;
- 1.13(3) hydroelectric with a capacity of less than 100 megawatts;
- 1.14(4) hydrogen, provided that after January 1, 2010, the hydrogen must be generated
- 1.15from the resources listed in this paragraph; or
- 1.16(5) biomass, which includes, without limitation, landfill gas; an anaerobic digester
- 1.17system; the predominantly organic components of wastewater effluent, sludge, or related
- 1.18by-products from publicly owned treatment works, but not including incineration of
- 1.19wastewater sludge to produce electricity; and an energy recovery facility used to capture
- 1.20the heat value of mixed municipal solid waste or refuse-derived fuel from mixed municipal
- 1.21solid waste as a primary fuel.
- 1.22(b) "Electric utility" means a public utility providing electric service, a generation
- 1.23and transmission cooperative electric association, a municipal power agency, or a power
- 1.24district.

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2.1 (c) "Total retail electric sales" means the kilowatt-hours of electricity sold in a year
2.2 by an electric utility to retail customers of the electric utility or to a distribution utility for
2.3 distribution to the retail customers of the distribution utility. "Total retail electric sales"
2.4 does not include the sale of electricity generated by hydropower by a federal power agency.

2.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective retroactively from March 19, 2010.