

HB 473 -- Energy Conservation

Sponsor: Low

This bill requires all state buildings to meet the International Energy Conservation Code by July 1, 2011, and requires state agencies to purchase lowest lifecycle cost equipment. State agencies must reduce their energy use at state-owned or -funded buildings by 15% by July 1, 2014, and may reinvest the savings to provide for the infrastructure needs of the facility.

The Department of Natural Resources is authorized to provide free conservation training to individuals receiving utility assistance and to provide education and assistance to municipalities, cooperatives, utilities, and community groups concerning weatherization to improve energy conservation.