



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

AGENDA ITEM

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DATE: April 24, 2001

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT: H.R. 1075 – OPERATION OF POWER GENERATION DURING TIMES OF POWER EMERGENCY (District: All)

SUMMARY:

Overview

This item will give support for H.R. 1075 authored by Congressman Duncan Hunter to allow any business or individual in any State experiencing a power emergency to operate any type of power generation available to ensure their economic stability, and for other purposes.

Recommendation

SUPERVISOR HORN:

Direct the Chief Administrative Officer and the County's Washington Representative to advocate the County's support for H.R. 1075 (Hunter), relating to emergency power generation, to members of the San Diego Congressional Delegation, appropriate members of Congress and the Administration, and other interested parties.

Fiscal Impact

Fiscal impact is undetermined at this time.

Business Impact Statement

Advisory Board Statement

BACKGROUND:

As summer approaches San Diego faces in increasing shortage of electricity supply which will cause inevitable blackouts throughout the county. Increased supply, derived from construction of new power plants will not be available in time to combat the devastating effects of blackouts. Already, San Diego County has seen businesses, and residents drastically effected.

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One short-term solution is for residents and businesses to generate their own backup power by using small generation units. House Bill H.R. 1075 proposed by Assemblyman Hunter, will give individuals and businesses the ability to protect their families and businesses by keeping the lights on during power outages.

For residents, particularly the elderly and those needing special medical care, this means the ability to protect their lives from the dangers of rolling blackouts. For businesses, this bill would mean the ability to protect their employees, and productivity from undue harm. For those in the technology and biotechnology sectors, this legislation will mean the ability to protect years of research.

Current legislation places restrictions on when emergency generators can be operated.

H.R. 1075 allows for any business or individual in any State experiencing a power emergency on any day to operate power generation to insure economic stability.

Respectfully submitted,

BILL HORN
Chairman
Supervisor Fifth District

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

CONCURRENCE(S)

COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Written disclosure per County Charter § 1000.1 required?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
GROUP/AGENCY FINANCE DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Requires Four Votes	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
GROUP/AGENCY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
CHIEF TECHNOLOGY OFFICER	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

Other Concurrence(s):

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Fifth Supervisorial District

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PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

CONTRACT NUMBER(S):

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DEPARTMENT:

PROGRAM:

PROPOSAL:

	FUTURE YEARS ESTIMATED BUDGET OF PROPOSAL IF ADOPTED				
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Budgeted Amount For Proposal	Proposed Change in Budgeted Amount	Proposed Revised Current Year Budget (a+b)	1st Subsequent Year	2nd Subsequent Year
Direct Cost					
Revenue/Other Offset					
NET GENERAL FUND COST					
Staff Years					

Sources of Revenue/Other Offset for Proposed Change and Subsequent Years:

Space-Related Impacts: Will this proposal result in any additional space requirements? Yes N/A

Support/Other Departmental Impacts: Yes N/A

Remarks: Yes N/A