

SB1538



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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Introduced 2/4/2025, by Sen. Mark L. Walker

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

70 ILCS 1950/5

Amends the Renewable Energy Production District Act. Changes the definition of "renewable energy facility" to include, among other things, small modular reactors. Defines "small modular reactor". Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Renewable Energy Production District Act is
5 amended by changing Section 5 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 1950/5)

7 Sec. 5. Definitions. "Board" means the board of trustees
8 of a renewable energy production special district created
9 under this Act.

10 "District" means a renewable energy production special
11 district created under this Act.

12 "Renewable energy facility" means a generator that is
13 attached to a building or parcel of land and that is powered by
14 methane gas generated from landfills, solar electric energy or
15 wind, dedicated crops grown for electricity generation,
16 anaerobic digestion of livestock or food processing waste,
17 fuel cells or microturbines powered by renewable fuels, or
18 hydroelectric energy. "Renewable energy facility" includes a
19 small modular reactor. "Renewable fuels" does not include the
20 incineration or burning of tires, garbage, general household,
21 institutional, or commercial waste, industrial lunchroom or
22 office waste, landscape waste other than tree waste, railroad
23 crossties, utility poles, or construction or demolition

1 debris, other than untreated and unadulterated waste wood.

2 "Small modular reactor" means an advanced nuclear reactor
3 that has a rated nameplate capacity of 300 electrical
4 megawatts or less and may be constructed and operated in
5 combination with similar reactors at a single site.

6 (Source: P.A. 97-265, eff. 8-8-11; 97-1110, eff. 8-27-12.)

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
8 becoming law.