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Senate Bill No. 507

(By Senators Caruth, McCabe, Kessler and Snyder)

[Passed April 10, 2009; in effect ninety days from passage.]
AN ACT to amend and reenact §5C-2-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to powers and duties of the West Virginia Clean Coal Technology Council; requiring a study of carbon capture and control; and quarterly reports to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §5C-2-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. WEST VIRGINIA CLEAN COAL TECHNOLOGY ACT.

§5C-2-5. Powers, duties, information and reports of council.

1 (a) The council shall:

2 (1) Coordinate the activities of the designated agency with regard to the specific clean coal technology charges of this council with appropriate private, public, state or federal agencies/organizations;
(2) Provide direction to the designated agency to study, develop and promulgate requests for proposals for pilot projects in West Virginia that will assist the council in evaluating technologies, assessing economics, evaluating the environmental benefits, seeking funds, evaluating the useful life of pilot projects and determining the importance of clean coal technologies to energy policy in West Virginia. Requests for proposals shall include an assessment of the potential for the use of financial and other incentives for potential respondents;

(3) Provide oversight to the designated agency in seeking public and private funding to support the activities of the council and the financing of pilot projects;

(4) Determine a reasonable projected duration for the pilot projects;

(5) Encourage and facilitate the development of alternative coal uses and related coal technologies;

(6) File with the Governor, Speaker of the House of Delegates and President of the Senate before the date that the next regular legislative session convenes a report of the council's activities during the two proceeding years and any recommendations for legislation considered necessary with regard to the pilot projects;

(7) Publish the report required by subdivision (6) of this subsection; and

(8) Study carbon capture and control technology and report the results of the study quarterly to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.

(b) The designated state agency having the responsibility for administering the clean coal technology council shall maintain a public file relating to the council.
(c) The designated agency having responsibility for administering the clean coal technology council shall make available to the public a copy of any council report that is provided to the Legislature.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman Senate Committee

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

In effect ninety days from passage.

Clerk of the Senate

Clerk of the House of Delegates

President of the Senate

Speaker House of Delegates

The within bill approved this the Day of March, 2009.

Governor