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HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

Bill: Senate File 243
Committee: Commerce
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Alternative Energy Production Facilities

Senate File 243 adds plasma gasification to the ways that waste management systems can be used as a source of alternative energy production.

Summary of Action

Senate Action – The Senate **ADOPTED** Senate File 243 on a vote of 50-0 on March 7, 2011.

Committee Action – The Commerce Committee **PASSED** Senate File 243 on a vote of 22-0 on March 29, 2011.

House Action – The House **ADOPTED** Senate File 243 on a vote of 93-2 on April 6, 2011.

Final Action – The Governor **SIGNED** Senate File 243 on April 20, 2011.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1 – The section amends Iowa Code section 476.42 (1) (a) by adding to the definition of waste management language that includes a facility using plasma gasification to produce a synthetic gas which can be a stand-alone fuel source or combined with natural gas. The new language also provides a definition of “plasma gasification”.