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## GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ENERGY

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# MINUTES of the workshop of the GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ENERGY

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### In attendance:

David Bobzien, Governor's Office of Energy, Laura Wickham, Governor's Office of Energy, Lezlie Helget, Governor's Office of Energy, Anthony Walsh, Office of the Attorney General, Bryce Alstead, Holland & Hart, Alexandria Cannito, Lewis Roca, Kyle Davis, Davis Strategies, Jennifer Atlas, Lea Case, Keibi Mejia.

- **1.** Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 11:01 A.M. by Director David Bobzien.
- **2.** Introductions of those in attendance: Those in attendance introduced themselves.
- **3. Public comment and discussion:** Director Bobzien asked for public comment, there was none.
- **4. Discussion of Proposed Regulation:** This workshop is to discuss proposed regulations and consider recommendations from the public and take any other appropriate action based upon the contents of the workshop.

**Laura Wickham:** The purpose of this regulation is to modify this program to go from a loan program to a grant program. We have gone through the entire section and removed anything that pertained to giving out loans and replaced it with funding. The purpose is now to offer grants that will be supporting energy efficiency, conservation, or renewable energy and anything that falls within the parameters of the Department of Energy and projects that they would approve.

We removed the word loan throughout the entire section and replaced it with funding. We have also removed anything that pertained to specific requirements for qualifying for a loan.

Anything that has been removed or changed will not apply to any projects currently operating under the program. Any loans already granted must adhere to the language at the time of being granted those loans. This is for projects moving forward.

We will be removing all the information under section 701.675(2)(m). All this information pertains to preliminary projects schedules, timetables, bids. We will add a small section to 701.685 that talks about the need for a qualified applicant's project, as established by the qualified applicant or in the State, in order to further the State's energy conservation goals and promote the continued development of renewable energy in the State.

We are correcting our energy.nv.gov website address as well.

**Note:** We will have the adoption Hearing on the  $22^{nd}$  of March. The March 22nd Hearing is for two different regulations: this regulation and the regulation affecting our Renewable Energy Tax Abatement program.

**5.** Closing Public comment and discussion: Director Bobzien asked for public comment. No comment was made.

**6. Adjournment:** 11:07 A.M.