GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE DRS85078-LD-12 (02/09)

Short Title:	Clarify Renewable Energy Resource Definition.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senator Jenkins.	
Referred to:		

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE" THAT PERTAINS TO THE RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY PORTFOLIO STANDARD (REPS) TO CLARIFY THAT WOOD IS A RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE AND THAT WOOD NEED NOT BE A WASTE PRODUCT TO QUALIFY AS A RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 62-133.8(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Definitions. – As used in this section:

(1) "Combined heat and power system" means a system that uses waste heat to produce electricity or useful, measurable thermal or mechanical energy at a retail electric customer's facility.

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(8) "Renewable energy resource" means a solar electric, solar thermal, wind, hydropower, geothermal, or ocean current or wave energy resource; a biomass resource, including agricultural waste, animal waste, ~~wood waste,~~wood, spent pulping liquors, combustible residues, combustible liquids, combustible gases, energy crops, or landfill methane; waste heat derived from a renewable energy resource and used to produce electricity or useful, measurable thermal energy at a retail electric customer's facility; or hydrogen derived from a renewable energy resource. "Renewable energy resource" does not include peat, a fossil fuel, or nuclear energy resource."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.