HB 970 -- WIND ENERGY SITE PERMITS

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This bill requires any person who installs a wind energy system to acquire a permit from the Department of Natural Resources. The permit application must contain at least evidence that all components, equipment and facilities of the energy system are set back from all property lines at least 1.5 times the fall distance of any part of the system, that the shadow flick from any turbine will not cross the property line, and any other information required by the Department. The Department may impose a reasonable fee for each permit, but the fee may not exceed the cost of reviewing and issuing the permit.