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I SUPPORT SB 1143.

The pilots would allow utilities to demonstrate the use and effectiveness of such utility-scale efforts for networked heating and cooling. These pilots would also give the state greater experience on how to integrate such projects into the regulatory process.

Industrial thermal energy creates 12.5% of greenhouse gas pollution in the United States, making it the next largest source after transportation and electricity and aims to slash industrial thermal emissions by 30% by 2030.

It seems like a false start for the pilot, but the support is to give natural gas providers a fair shake to show their innovation, which they haven't received from the legislature.