

Senator Booher offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 185.

A resolution to recognize October 24, 2018, as National Bioenergy Day.

Whereas, Biomass power is homegrown, Michigan-made domestic energy generated from Michigan resources by Michigan workers; and

Whereas, Such power generation has provided valuable, renewable energy services to the people of the state of Michigan for more than 30 years; and

Whereas, Biomass power generation provides the state with significant renewable energy; and

Whereas, The generation of biomass power is an important employer in communities that rely on local forest resources for economic prosperity, jobs, and quality of life; and

Whereas, Biomass power generation is a baseload generation that provides significant support to the electrical grid and improves its reliability and resiliency; and

Whereas, The generation of biomass power diversifies the state's energy portfolio; and

Whereas, Biomass power generation optimizes the value of Michigan's forest resources by recovering energy from wood fiber that would otherwise go to waste; and

Whereas, Such power provides economically sound, environmentally beneficial tools for keeping Michigan forests healthy and protected from wildfire; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize October 24, 2018, as National Bioenergy Day along with its decades of contributions to Michigan's economy, our energy portfolio, forests, and the wise management of wood wastes and byproducts in our Great Lakes State.