

Speaker Bios

Glen Andersen, M.S., LEED AP, is the director of the National Conference of State Legislatures Energy Program, which provides state legislators and staff with outreach and policy analysis on a wide range of energy issues. Glen develops and coordinates trainings, workshops and institutes on energy policy issues and assists state policymakers in their efforts to develop effective and informed policies on fossil fuels, energy efficiency, renewable energy, nuclear energy and grid technologies. Glen has testified before numerous state legislative committees on a variety of energy policy topics. He has also authored a variety of articles and publications on renewable energy, energy planning, climate policy, energy efficiency and utility regulation. Glen received his Master's of Science degree in environmental health from the University of Michigan and his bachelor's degree from the University of Minnesota.

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