

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Environment and Energy to which was referred Senate
3 Bill No. 305 entitled “An act relating to miscellaneous changes to the Public
4 Utility Commission” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and
5 recommends that the House propose to the Senate that the bill be amended by
6 striking out Sec. 13, effective date, and its reader assistance heading in their
7 entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

8 * * * Energy Storage Fees * * *

9 Sec. 13. 30 V.S.A. § 248c(d) is amended to read:

10 (d) Electric and natural gas facilities. This subsection sets fees for
11 applications under section 248 of this title.

12 (1) There shall be a ~~registration~~ fee of \$100.00 for each electric
13 generation facility less than or equal to 50 kW in plant capacity, or for a
14 rooftop project, or for a hydroelectric project filing a net metering registration,
15 or for an application filed under subsection 248(n) of this title, or for an energy
16 storage facility less than or equal to 1 MW in nameplate capacity that is
17 required to obtain a certificate of public good under section 248 of this title and
18 is proposed to be located inside an existing building and that would not require
19 any ground disturbance work or upgrades to the distribution system.

20 (2) There shall be a fee of \$25.00 for modifications for each electric
21 generation facility less than or equal to 50 kW in plant capacity, or for a

1 rooftop project, or for a hydroelectric project filing a net metering registration,
2 or for an application filed under subsection 248(n) of this title, or for an energy
3 storage facility less than or equal to 1 MW in nameplate capacity that is
4 required to obtain a certificate of public good under section 248 of this title and
5 is proposed to be located inside an existing building and that would not require
6 any ground disturbance work or upgrades to the distribution system.

7 (3) There shall be a fee for electric generation facilities and energy
8 storage facilities that are required to obtain a certificate of public good under
9 section 248 of this title and that do not qualify for the lower fees in
10 subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, calculated as follows:

11 (A) \$5.00 per kW; and

12 (B) \$100.00 for modifications.

13 (4) For applications that include both a proposed electric generation
14 facility and a proposed energy storage facility, the fee shall be the larger of
15 either the fee for the electric generation facility or the energy storage facility as
16 set out in subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection.

17 (5) For applications that propose to add an energy storage facility to a
18 location that already has a certificate of public good for an electric generation
19 facility, the fee shall be that for a proposed new energy storage facility as set
20 out in subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection.

1 (6) For applications that propose to add an electric generation facility to
2 a location that already has a certificate of public good for an energy storage
3 facility, the fee shall be that for a proposed new electric generation facility as
4 set out in subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection.

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6 * * * Dig Safe; Notice of Excavation Activities * * *

7 Sec. **X**. 30 V.S.A. § 7004(c) is amended to read:

8 (c) At least ~~48~~ 72 hours, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays,
9 but not more than 30 days before commencing excavation activities, each
10 person required to give notice of excavation activities shall notify the System
11 referred to in section 7002 of this title. Such notice shall set forth a reasonably
12 accurate and readily identifiable description of the geographical location of the
13 proposed excavation activities and the premarks.

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15 * * * Effective Dates * * *

16 Sec. XX. EFFECTIVE DATES

17 This act shall take effect on passage, except that Sec. X, (30 V.S.A. §
18 7004(c)) shall take effect on November 1, 2024.

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2 (Committee vote: _____)

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Representative _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE