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Representative Kornheiser of Brattleboro moves that report of the Committee on Ways and Means be amended by striking out Sec. 15, effective dates, and its reader assistance heading in their entirety and inserting in lieu thereof new Secs. 15–17 and their reader assistance headings to read as follows:

* * * Fees * * *

Sec. 15. 30 V.S.A. § 248c(d) is amended to read:

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

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

(2) There shall be a fee of \$25.00 for modifications for each electric generation facility less than or equal to 50 kW in plant capacity, or for a rooftop project, or for a hydroelectric project filing a net metering registration,

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

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

10 (A) \$5.00 per kW; and

11 (B) \$100.00 for modifications.

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

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

20 (6) For applications that propose to add an electric generation facility to
21 a location that already has a certificate of public good for an energy storage

1 facility, the fee shall be that for a proposed new electric generation facility as
2 set out in subdivisions (1) and (3) of this subsection.

3 Sec. 16. 18 V.S.A. § 5017 is amended to read:

4 § 5017. FEES FOR COPIES

5 (a) For a certified copy of a vital event certificate, the fee shall be \$10.00.

6 (b) The State Registrar shall waive the fee for certified copies of vital event
7 certificates issued to:

8 (1) an individual attesting to a lack of fixed, regular, and adequate
9 nighttime residence; and

10 (2) an individual between 18 and 24 years of age who resided in a foster
11 home or residential child care facility between 16 and 18 years of age pursuant
12 to placement by a child-placing agency.

13 * * * Effective Dates * * *

14 Sec. 17. EFFECTIVE DATES

15 (a) This section, Secs. 1 (reappraisals), 2 (property valuation and review
16 waiver), 9 (exemption for county-owned property), 10 (fuel tax extension), 11
17 and 12 (extension of Health IT Fund), 13 (Local Government Revenue
18 Working Group) and 14 (Wealth Tax Commission) shall take effect on
19 passage.

1 (b) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Secs. 3 and 4 (link to federal income
2 tax laws) shall take effect retroactively on January 1, 2024 and apply to taxable
3 years beginning on and after January 1, 2023.

4 (c) Sec. 5 (renter credit expansion) shall take effect on passage and apply to
5 claim years 2025 and after.

6 (d) Secs. 6 and 7 (repeal of property tax credit late fee) shall take effect on
7 passage and apply to claim years 2024 and after.

8 (e) Sec. 8 (utility property valuation) shall take effect on passage and apply
9 to grand lists filed on or after April 1, 2025.

10 (f) Secs. 15 (energy storage and generation fees) and 16 (fee waiver for
11 vital event certificates) shall take effect on July 1, 2024.