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Senator Lyons moves that the Senate propose to the House that the bill be amended as follows:

First: After Sec. 9, by inserting a reader guide and Sec. 9a to read:

\* \* \* Advocacy; Regional Electric System \* \* \*

Sec. 9a. 30 V.S.A. § 2(f) is added to read:

(f) In all forums affecting policy and decision making for the New England region’s electric system, including matters before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Independent System Operator of New England, the Department of Public Service shall advance positions that are consistent with the statutory policies and goals set forth in 10 V.S.A. §§ 578, 580, and 581 and sections 202a, 8001, and 8005 of this title. This subsection shall not compel the Department to initiate or participate in litigation and shall not preclude the Department from entering into agreements that represent a reasonable advance to these statutory policies and goals.

Second: In Sec. 10 (effective dates, applicability; implementation), in subsection (a), after the first parenthetical phrase, by striking out “and” and inserting a new comma and after the second parenthetical phrase, by inserting , and 9a (advocacy; regional electric system)