

H.411 and Net Metering
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This document overviews similarities and differences between Sec. 7 of H.411, on net metering, contained in the report of the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy (now the Senate proposal of amendment) and Sec. 7a of the H.411 amendment from Sens. MacDonald, Lyons, and Sirotkin on today's calendar.

Similarities

Both apply to net metering systems for which complete applications were filed before 1/1/17 – “existing net metering systems.”

After a 10 year period, both would allow the application to these systems of the blended residential rate and of nonbypassable charges.

Differences

Under the committee proposal, the 10 years runs from installation. Under the amendment, the 10 years runs from interconnection.

Under the committee proposal, utilities could add more nonbypassable charges with Board approval. Under the amendment, the nonbypassable charges for existing net metering systems are specifically listed.

Under the committee proposal, if the Board changes the rules to move to a rate structure other than the blended residential rate or to revise the structure of the blended residential rate, it could apply the new structure to existing net metering systems for which the 10-year period has passed. Under the amendment, these systems would receive the blended residential rate as currently structured.

The amendment states that existing net metering systems otherwise remain under the statute and rules as they existed on 12/31/16. The committee proposal does not include such a statement.