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Senator Bray moves that the proposal of amendment be further amended after Sec. 8 by adding a new section to be Sec. 9 and a reader assistance thereto to read:

* * * Standard Offer Program; Preferred Location Pilot * * *

Sec. 9. 30 V.S.A. § 8005a is amended to read:

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(c) Cumulative capacity. In accordance with this subsection, the Board shall issue standard offers to new standard offer plants until a cumulative plant capacity amount of 127.5 MW is reached.

(1) Pace. Annually commencing April 1, 2013, the Board shall increase the cumulative plant capacity of the Standard Offer Program (the annual increase) until the 127.5-MW cumulative plant capacity of this subsection is reached.

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(D) Pilot project; preferred locations. For one year commencing on January 1, 2017, the Board shall allocate one-sixth of the annual increase to new standard offer plants that will be wholly located in one or more preferred locations other than parking lots or parking lot canopies and, separately, one-sixth of the annual increase to new standard offer plants that will be wholly located over parking lots or on parking lot canopies.

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(iv) As used in this subdivision (D), “preferred location” means a site within the State on which a renewable energy plant will be located that is one of the following:

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(VII) A specific location designated in a duly adopted municipal plan under 24 V.S.A. chapter 117 for the siting of a renewable energy plant or specific type or size of renewable energy plant, provided that the plant meets any siting criteria recommended in the plan for the location; or a specific location that is identified in a joint letter of support from the municipal legislative body and municipal and regional planning commissions in the community where the plant will be located.

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and by renumbering the remaining section to be numerically correct.