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6 Yantachka of Charlotte

7 Referred to Committee on

8 Date:

9 Subject: Public service; Public Utility Commission; net metering; cumulative
10 capacity

11 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to increase the
12 cumulative capacity of net metering systems allocated to a municipality from
13 500 kW to 1 MW.

14 An act relating to net metering and municipalities

15 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

16 Sec. 1. NET METERING; CUMULATIVE CUSTOMER CAPACITY

17 (a) Legislative intent. The Public Utility Commission has, by rule,
18 established that the cumulative capacity of net metering systems allocated to a
19 single customer may not exceed 500 kW. Pursuant to 2019 Acts and Resolves
20 No. 81, this cumulative capacity limit was increased to 1MW for customers

1 that are schools or school districts. It is the intent of the General Assembly
2 that the cumulative capacity limit shall also be increased to 1 MW for
3 customers that are municipalities.

4 (b) Cumulative capacity of net metering systems. Notwithstanding any
5 provision of law to the contrary, the cumulative capacity of net metering
6 systems allocated to a single customer that is a municipality shall not exceed 1
7 MW. A municipality may have multiple accounts as long as the allocated
8 share of those multiple accounts does not exceed 1 MW in total.

9 (c) Public Utility Commission rules. The Public Utility Commission shall
10 amend its existing rule or rules, or adopt a new rule, as necessary to implement
11 this section.

12 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

13 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.