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Act No. 179 (H.289). An act relating to the Renewable Energy Standard

Subjects: Energy; public service; renewable energy programs; Renewable Energy Standard

This act increases the amount of total renewable energy electric utilities are required to purchase pursuant to the Renewable Energy Standard (RES) to 100 percent on or before January 1, 2035, depending on the type of utility. The act also increases from two percent to three percent the rates that municipal utilities and electric cooperatives can increase without going to the Public Utility Commission. It also changes the definitions of net metering and group net metering so that in 2025, no new group net metering can be added unless it is adjacent to the property, with a one-year delay for affordable housing developments. It creates two new Tiers in the RES: Tier 4 (new regional renewable energy) and Tier 5 (load growth). It consolidates RES reporting requirements into the Comprehensive Energy Plan.

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