



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 175**

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House Bill No. 6830

*House of Representatives, April 9, 2001*

The Committee on Energy and Technology reported through REP. GIANNAROS of the 21st Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

## **AN ACT CONCERNING TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES LAWS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 16-19m of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 As used in sections 16-19m to [16-19r] 16-19q, inclusive:

4 (1) "Closing" means the time at which a nuclear power generating  
5 facility ceases to generate electricity and is retired from active service.

6 (2) "Decommissioning" means the series of activities undertaken  
7 beginning at the time of closing of a nuclear power generating facility  
8 to ensure that the final disposition of the site or any radioactive  
9 components or material, but not including spent fuel, associated with  
10 the facility is accomplished safely, in compliance with all applicable  
11 state and federal laws. Decommissioning includes activities  
12 undertaken to prepare such a facility for final disposition, to monitor

13 and maintain it after closing and to effect final disposition of any  
14 radioactive components of the facility.

15 (3) "Decommissioning costs" means: (A) All reasonable costs and  
16 expenses of removing a nuclear power generating facility from service,  
17 including, without limitation, dismantling, mothballing, removing  
18 radioactive waste material, except spent fuel, to temporary or  
19 permanent storage sites, decontaminating, restoring and supervising  
20 the site, and any costs and expenses incurred in connection with  
21 proceedings before governmental regulatory authorities relating to the  
22 authorization to decommission the facility; (B) all costs of labor and  
23 services performed or rendered in connection with the  
24 decommissioning of the facility, and all costs of materials, supplies,  
25 machinery, construction equipment and apparatus acquired for or in  
26 connection with the decommissioning of the facility. Any amount,  
27 exclusive of proceeds of insurance, realized by a licensee as salvage on  
28 or resale of any machinery, construction equipment and apparatus, the  
29 cost of which was charged as a decommissioning cost, shall be treated  
30 as a deduction from the amounts otherwise payable on account of the  
31 cost of decommissioning of the facility; and (C) all overhead costs  
32 applicable to the facility during the decommissioning period,  
33 including, but not limited to, taxes, other than taxes on or in respect of  
34 income; licenses; excises and assessments; casualties; surety bond  
35 premiums and insurance premiums, provided amounts expended or to  
36 be paid with respect to decommissioning a facility shall constitute part  
37 of the decommissioning costs if they are, or when paid will be, either  
38 properly chargeable to any account related to decommissioning of a  
39 facility in accordance with the systems of accounts then applicable to  
40 the licensee, or properly chargeable to decommissioning of a facility in  
41 accordance with then applicable regulations of the United States  
42 Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the federal Energy Regulatory  
43 Commission or any other regulatory agency having jurisdiction.

44 (4) "Licensee" means (A) the holder of the construction or operating

45 permit from the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a  
46 nuclear power generating facility located in the state, if there is only  
47 one holder of such a permit, or (B) if there are two or more holders of  
48 such a permit, those holders which are primarily responsible for the  
49 construction or operation of the facility.

50 (5) "Owner" means any electric utility which owns any portion of a  
51 nuclear power generating facility whether directly or through  
52 ownership of stock in a company which owns any portion of such a  
53 facility.

54 (6) "Electric utility" means (A) any domestic electric company, as  
55 defined in section 16-246a, (B) any foreign electric company, as defined  
56 in said section, (C) any municipal electric utility organized under  
57 chapter 101, and (D) any municipal electric energy cooperative  
58 organized under chapter 101a.

59 (7) "Premature closing" means the closing of a nuclear power  
60 generating facility before the projected date of decommissioning as  
61 projected in the decommissioning financing plan prepared under  
62 section 16-19n.

63 (8) "Prompt removal and dismantlement" means the immediate  
64 removal of radioactive or radioactively contaminated material down to  
65 allowable residual levels which permit release of the property for  
66 unrestricted access.

67 Sec. 2. Sections 16-19i, 16-19r, 16-19s and 16-19t of the general  
68 statutes are repealed.

**ET**            *Joint Favorable*

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***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:***           None

***Affected Agencies:***   None

***Municipal Impact:***   None

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**OLR Bill Analysis**

HB 6830

***AN ACT CONCERNING TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANIES LAWS.***

**SUMMARY:**

This bill repeals obsolete provisions of the laws dealing with electric companies.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2001

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Energy and Technology Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 13    Nay 0