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Substitute House Bill No. 5468

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The Committee on Energy and Technology reported through REP. NARDELLO of the 89th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING TECHNICAL CHANGES TO UTILITY STATUTES.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 16a-3a of the 2010 supplement to
2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 (c) Resource needs shall first be met through all available energy
5 efficiency and demand reduction resources that are cost-effective,
6 reliable and feasible. The projected customer cost impact of any
7 demand-side resources considered pursuant to this subsection shall be
8 reviewed on an equitable [bases] basis with nondemand-side
9 resources. The procurement plan shall specify (1) the total amount of
10 energy and capacity resources needed to meet the requirements of all
11 customers, (2) the extent to which demand-side measures, including
12 efficiency, conservation, demand response and load management can
13 cost-effectively meet these needs, (3) needs for generating capacity and

14 transmission and distribution improvements, (4) how the development
15 of such resources will reduce and stabilize the costs of electricity to
16 consumers, and (5) the manner in which each of the proposed
17 resources should be procured, including the optimal contract periods
18 for various resources.

19 Sec. 2. Subsection (c) of section 16-47a of the 2010 supplement to the
20 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
21 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

22 (c) In addition to the powers granted to the department in section
23 16-8c, during a rate proceeding under section 16-19, the department
24 may summon witnesses from an affiliate with which a gas company
25 has had direct or indirect transactions, examine the affiliate under oath
26 and order production, inspect and audit the books, records or other
27 information relevant to any transaction that the department has reason
28 to believe has or will have an adverse impact on the costs and revenues
29 of the affiliated gas company. Proprietary commercial and proprietary
30 financial information of an affiliate provided pursuant to this section
31 shall be confidential and protected by the department as the
32 department deems appropriate, subject to the provisions of section 1-
33 210.

34 Sec. 3. Subsection (b) of section 16-243v of the general statutes is
35 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
36 *passage*):

37 (b) The Energy Conservation Management Board, in consultation
38 with the Renewable Energy Investments Advisory [Committee] Board,
39 shall evaluate and approve enhanced demand-side management
40 technologies that can be deployed by Connecticut electric efficiency
41 partners to reduce electric distribution company customers' electric
42 demand. Such evaluation shall include an examination of the potential
43 to reduce customers' demand, federally mandated congestion charges
44 and other electric costs. On or before October 15, 2007, the Energy
45 Conservation Management Board shall file such evaluation with the
46 Department of Public Utility Control for the department to review and

47 approve or to review, modify and approve on or before October 15,
48 2007.

49 Sec. 4. Section 7-233z of the general statutes is repealed and the
50 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

51 (a) A municipal electric energy cooperative, created pursuant to this
52 chapter, shall submit a comprehensive report on the activities of the
53 municipal electric utilities with regard to promotion of renewable
54 energy resources. Such report shall identify the standards and
55 activities of municipal electric utilities in the promotion,
56 encouragement and expansion of the deployment and use of
57 renewable energy sources within the service areas of the municipal
58 electric utilities for the prior calendar year. The cooperative shall
59 submit the report to the Renewable Energy [Investment] Investments
60 Advisory [Committee] Board established pursuant to section 16-245n
61 not later than ninety days after the end of each calendar year that
62 describes the activities undertaken pursuant to this subsection during
63 the previous calendar year for the promotion and development of
64 renewable energy sources for all electric customer classes.

65 (b) Such cooperative shall develop standards for the promotion of
66 renewable resources that apply to each municipal electric utility. On or
67 before January 1, 2008, and annually thereafter, such cooperative shall
68 submit such standards to the Renewable Energy [Investment]
69 Investments Advisory [Committee] Board.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	16a-3a(c)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	16-47a(c)
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	16-243v(b)
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	7-233z

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

Section 4(b) was added for statutory consistency.

ET *Joint Favorable Subst.-LCO*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill makes corrections to grammar and statutory references, which have no fiscal impact.

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State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

OLR Bill Analysis

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STATUTES.***

SUMMARY:

This bill makes technical changes in the utility statutes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Energy and Technology Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 21 Nay 0 (03/16/2010)