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Referred to Committee on Commerce

Introduced by:
(CE)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CONNECTICUT ENERGY ADVISORY BOARD.

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

1 Section 1. Section 16a-3 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2010*):

3 (a) There is established a Connecticut Energy Advisory Board
4 consisting of [~~fifteen~~] sixteen members, including the Commissioner of
5 Environmental Protection, the chairperson of the Public Utilities
6 Control Authority, the Commissioner of Transportation, the Consumer
7 Counsel, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Commissioner of
8 Economic and Community Development and the Secretary of the
9 Office of Policy and Management, or their respective designees. The
10 Governor shall appoint a representative of an environmental
11 organization knowledgeable in energy efficiency programs, a
12 representative of a consumer advocacy organization and a
13 representative of a state-wide business association. The president pro
14 tempore of the Senate shall appoint a representative of a chamber of
15 commerce, a representative of a state-wide manufacturing association
16 and a member of the public considered to be an expert in electricity,

17 generation, procurement or conservation programs. The speaker of the
18 House of Representatives shall appoint a representative of low-income
19 ratepayers, a representative of state residents, in general, with
20 expertise in energy issues and a member of the public considered to be
21 an expert in electricity, generation, procurement or conservation
22 programs. All appointed members shall serve in accordance with
23 section 4-1a. No appointee may be employed by, or a consultant of, a
24 public service company, as defined in section 16-1, or an electric
25 supplier, as defined in section 16-1, or an affiliate or subsidiary of such
26 company or supplier.

27 (b) The board shall (1) represent the state in regional energy system
28 planning processes conducted by the regional independent system
29 operator, as defined in section 16-1; (2) encourage representatives from
30 the municipalities that are affected by a proposed project of regional
31 significance to participate in regional energy system planning
32 processes conducted by the regional independent system operator; (3)
33 participate in a forecast proceeding conducted pursuant to subsection
34 (a) of section 16-50r; (4) participate in a life-cycle proceeding conducted
35 pursuant to subsection (b) of section 16-50r; and (5) review the
36 procurement plan submitted by the electric distribution companies
37 pursuant to section 16a-3a.

38 (c) The board shall elect a chairman and a vice-chairman from
39 among its members and shall adopt such rules of procedure as are
40 necessary to carry out its functions.

41 (d) The board shall convene its first meeting not later than
42 September 1, 2003. A quorum of the board shall consist of two-thirds
43 of the members currently serving on the board.

44 (e) The board shall employ such staff as is required for the proper
45 discharge of its duties. The board may also retain any third-party
46 consultants it deems necessary to accomplish the goals set forth in
47 subsection (b) of this section. The board shall annually submit to the
48 Department of Public Utility Control a proposal regarding the level of

49 funding required for the discharge of its duties, which proposal shall
50 be approved by the department either as submitted or as modified by
51 the department.

52 (f) The Connecticut Energy Advisory Board shall be within the
53 Office of Policy and Management for administrative purposes only.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
| Section 1 | <i>July 1, 2010</i> | 16a-3 |

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