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Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Introduced by:
(ET)

**AN ACT CONCERNING MODIFICATIONS TO THE PURCHASED GAS,
ENERGY AND TRANSMISSION RATE ADJUSTMENT CLAUSES.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (h) of section 16-19b of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (h) The Department of Public Utility Control shall continually
5 monitor and oversee the application of the purchased gas adjustment
6 clause, the energy adjustment clause, and the transmission rate
7 adjustment clause. [The] For the purchased gas adjustment clause and
8 the energy adjustment clause, the department shall hold a public
9 hearing thereon whenever the department deems it necessary or upon
10 application of the Office of Consumer Counsel, but no less frequently
11 than annually. For the transmission rate adjustment clause, the
12 department shall hold a public hearing thereon whenever the
13 department deems it necessary [,] or upon application of the Office of
14 Consumer Counsel, but no less frequently than once every six months.
15 [, and] The department shall undertake such other proceeding
16 [thereon] on the purchased gas, energy and transmission rate

17 adjustment clauses to determine whether charges or credits made
18 under such clauses reflect the actual prices paid for purchased gas or
19 energy and the actual transmission costs and are computed in
20 accordance with the applicable clause. If the department finds that
21 such charges or credits do not reflect the actual prices paid for
22 purchased gas or energy, and the actual transmission costs or are not
23 computed in accordance with the applicable clause, it shall recompute
24 such charges or credits and shall direct the company to take such
25 action as may be required to insure that such charges or credits
26 properly reflect the actual prices paid for purchased gas or energy and
27 the actual transmission costs and are computed in accordance with the
28 applicable clause for the applicable period.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	16-19b(h)

Statement of Purpose:

To make modifications to the provisions of the Department of Public Utility Control's purchased gas and energy adjustment clauses by requiring the department to hold a public hearing no less than annually in lieu of the current six-month requirement and specifying that the department hold a public hearing at any time for the purchased gas, energy and transmission rate adjustment clauses if the Office of Consumer Counsel files an application requesting such a hearing.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]