



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5496

LCO No. 2082



Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by:
(ET)

AN ACT CONCERNING BIOMASS FACILITIES.

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

1 Section 1. Section 16-244l of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

3 (a) The administrator of any project utilizing fuel cells with an
4 electricity purchase agreement entered into and approved by the
5 Public Utilities Regulatory Authority pursuant to subsection (h) of
6 section 16-244c with a generating capacity of not greater than five
7 megawatts, to be sited within fifty feet of a natural gas transmission
8 facility that operates at pressures in excess of one hundred fifty
9 pounds, may submit a request to said authority for a modification to
10 such purchase agreement that would permit the project to move to an
11 alternative location and allow for an equitable adjustment in contract
12 pricing to account for any change in the project attributable to the
13 change in location. Said authority shall open a docket to review such
14 modification request not later than thirty days after receipt of such
15 request. Said authority may approve such modification request not
16 later than one hundred twenty days after receipt of such request.

17 Factors affecting such modification shall be limited to location, contract
18 pricing and schedule attributable to the change in location. No existing
19 electricity purchase agreement shall be cancelled or deemed in
20 noncompliance by an electric distribution company until such
21 modification is approved.

22 (b) The administrator of any project utilizing a biomass facility with
23 an electricity purchase agreement entered into and approved by the
24 Public Utilities Regulatory Authority pursuant to subsection (h) of
25 section 16-244c may submit a request to said authority for a
26 modification to such purchase agreement that would permit the
27 project to utilize additional sustainable biomass fuel. Said authority
28 shall open a docket to review such modification request not later than
29 thirty days after receipt of such request. Said authority may approve
30 such modification request not later than one hundred twenty days
31 after receipt of such request. Factors affecting such modification shall
32 be limited to the utilization of additional sustainable biomass fuel. No
33 such electricity purchase agreement shall be cancelled or deemed in
34 noncompliance by an electric distribution company until such
35 modification is approved.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	16-244l

Statement of Purpose:

To allow an administrator of certain biomass facilities to request a modification to the electricity purchase agreement to allow utilization of additional sustainable biomass fuel.

[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.]