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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE DIVERSITY OF BASELOAD ENERGY SUPPLIES IN THE STATE AND ACHIEVING CONNECTICUT'S GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS MANDATED LEVELS."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 16-244c of the general statutes is  
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
5 *passage*):

6 (a) (1) On and after January 1, 2007, each electric distribution  
7 company shall provide electric generation services through standard  
8 service to any customer who (A) does not arrange for or is not  
9 receiving electric generation services from an electric supplier, and (B)  
10 does not use a demand meter or has a maximum demand of less than  
11 five hundred kilowatts.

12 (2) Not later than October 1, 2006, and periodically as required by

13 subdivision (3) of this subsection, but not more often than every  
14 calendar quarter, the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority shall  
15 establish the standard service price for such customers pursuant to  
16 subdivision (3) of this subsection. Each electric distribution company  
17 shall recover the actual net costs of procuring and providing electric  
18 generation services pursuant to this subsection, provided such  
19 company mitigates the costs it incurs for the procurement of electric  
20 generation services for customers who are no longer receiving service  
21 pursuant to this subsection.

22 (3) An electric distribution company providing electric generation  
23 services pursuant to this subsection shall cooperate with the  
24 procurement manager of the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority and  
25 comply with the procurement plan for electric generation services  
26 contracts. Such plan shall require (A) that the portfolio of service  
27 contracts be procured in such manner and duration as the authority  
28 determines to be most likely to produce just, reasonable and  
29 reasonably stable retail rates while reflecting underlying wholesale  
30 market prices over time, and (B) the electric distribution company to  
31 procure generation equal to seven and one-half megawatts of electric  
32 capacity from a biomass facility that is a Class I renewable energy  
33 source. The portfolio of contracts shall be assembled in such manner as  
34 to invite competition; guard against favoritism, improvidence,  
35 extravagance, fraud and corruption; and secure a reliable electricity  
36 supply while avoiding unusual, anomalous or excessive pricing. An  
37 affiliate of an electric distribution company may bid for an electric  
38 generation services contract, provided such electric distribution  
39 company and affiliate are in compliance with the code of conduct  
40 established in section 16-244h.

41 (4) The procurement manager of the Public Utilities Regulatory  
42 Authority may retain the services of entities as it sees fit to assist with  
43 the procurement of electric generation services for standard service.  
44 Costs associated with the retention of such third-party entity shall be  
45 included in the cost of standard service.

46 (5) For standard service contracts procured prior to the authority's  
 47 approval of the Procurement Plan, each bidder for a standard service  
 48 contract shall submit its bid to the electric distribution company and  
 49 the third-party entity who shall jointly review the bids and submit an  
 50 overview of all bids together with a joint recommendation to the  
 51 authority as to the preferred bidders. The authority may, within ten  
 52 business days of submission of the overview, reject the  
 53 recommendation regarding preferred bidders. In the event that the  
 54 authority rejects the preferred bids, the electric distribution company  
 55 and the third-party entity shall rebid the service pursuant to this  
 56 subdivision. The authority shall review each bid in an uncontested  
 57 proceeding that shall include a public hearing and in which any  
 58 interested person, including, but not limited to, the Consumer  
 59 Counsel, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection  
 60 or the Attorney General, may participate."

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