

HB0226/513326/1

BY: Senator Colburn

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 226, AS AMENDED
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Offshore Wind” and substitute “Renewable”; in line 14, after “credits;” insert “requiring the Public Service Commission to adopt regulations establishing application procedures and evaluation criteria comparable to the procedures and criteria for offshore wind projects under this Act for Tier 1 renewable source projects and Tier 2 renewable source projects other than offshore wind projects; requiring the Commission to develop a methodology for determining and comparing the cost-effectiveness of proposed renewable energy projects; requiring the Commission to approve the most cost-effective renewable energy project;”; and in line 15, strike “Public Service”.

On page 3 in lines 12 and 16 and on page 4 in line 15, in each instance, strike “Offshore Wind” and substitute “Renewable Energy”.

On page 3, in line 34, strike “offshore wind” and substitute “renewable”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 14, in line 31, after “(1)” insert “**(I) 1. IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING:**

A. PROCEDURES THROUGH WHICH INTERESTED PERSONS MAY APPLY FOR APPROVAL OF TIER 1 RENEWABLE SOURCE PROJECTS AND TIER 2 RENEWABLE SOURCE PROJECTS OTHER THAN OFFSHORE WIND PROJECTS; AND

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B. CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING AND COMPARING APPLICATIONS FOR PROPOSED PROJECTS RECEIVED UNDER ITEM A OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH.

2. THE APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH SHALL BE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT TO THE PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA ADOPTED FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE APPROVAL OF OFFSHORE WIND PROJECTS.

(II) THE COMMISSION SHALL DEVELOP A METHODOLOGY FOR DETERMINING AND COMPARING THE COST-EFFECTIVENESS OF PROPOSED OFFSHORE WIND PROJECTS AND OTHER TIER 1 RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCE PROJECTS AND TIER 2 RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCE PROJECTS.

(III) AFTER APPLYING THE METHODOLOGY ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH TO EVALUATE THE COST-EFFECTIVENESS OF EACH PROPOSED RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCE PROJECT THAT OTHERWISE COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE COMMISSION, THE COMMISSION SHALL APPROVE THE MOST COST-EFFECTIVE PROJECT.

(2)".

On page 15, in line 1, strike "**(2)**" and substitute "**(3)**"; and in line 12, strike "**(3)**" and substitute "**(4)**".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 16 in line 28, on page 27 in lines 10, 14, and 27, on page 28 in line 1, on page 30 in line 21, and on page 33 in line 1, in each instance, strike "**OFFSHORE WIND**" and substitute "**RENEWABLE ENERGY**".

On page 29, in lines 1 and 2, strike “**MARYLAND BUSINESS COALITION FOR OFFSHORE WIND**” and substitute “**RENEWABLE ENERGY INDUSTRY**”; in line 13, strike “**AN OFFSHORE WIND**” and substitute “**A RENEWABLE ENERGY**”; and in lines 19 and 20, strike “**OFFSHORE WIND**” and substitute “**RENEWABLE ENERGY**”.

On page 30, in lines 6, 28, and 31, in each instance, strike “**OFFSHORE WIND**” and substitute “**RENEWABLE ENERGY**”.

On page 31, in line 14, strike “**QUALIFIED OFFSHORE WIND**”.

On page 32, in line 9, strike “**OFFSHORE WIND**” and substitute “**RENEWABLE**”.

On page 37, in line 23, strike “Offshore Wind” and substitute “**Renewable Energy**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 6 of the Finance Committee Amendments (HB0226/567175/1), in line 11 of Amendment No. 5, strike “, with a particular emphasis on wind energy,”.