

# SENATE BILL 786

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## A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

### **Electricity – Community Renewable Energy Generating System – Pilot Program**

FOR the purpose of establishing a pilot program on community renewable energy generating systems under the authority of the Public Service Commission; stating when the pilot program will begin and terminate; providing for the structure and operation of the pilot program, including the generation of electricity and allocation of audits and costs to subscribers to a community renewable energy generating system; authorizing an electric company to submit a petition to own and operate a community renewable energy generating system to the Commission; requiring the Commission to approve a petition if the Commission makes a certain determination; requiring the Commission to approve or deny a petition within a certain period of time; specifying when an electric company may recover the costs associated with developing and owning a community renewable energy generating system through base rates; authorizing an electric company to sell certain services and attributes associated with the community renewable energy generating system; stating the effectiveness of contracts entered into during the pilot program; authorizing a subscriber organization to continue operation of and an electric company to continue to facilitate the operation of a community renewable energy generating system after termination of the pilot program; requiring the Maryland Energy Administration, in consultation with the Commission, to make a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Commission to adopt certain regulations by a certain date; requiring the Commission to notify the General Assembly and the Department of Legislative Services when the pilot program begins; defining certain terms; stating certain findings of the General Assembly; and generally relating to a pilot program for community renewable energy generating systems.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



Article – Public Utilities  
Section 7–306.1  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2010 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article – Public Utilities**

**7–306.1.**

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) “BASELINE ANNUAL USAGE” MEANS:

(I) A SUBSCRIBER’S ACCUMULATED ELECTRICITY USE IN KILOWATT-HOURS FOR THE 12 MONTHS BEFORE THE SUBSCRIBER’S MOST RECENT SUBSCRIPTION; OR

(II) FOR A SUBSCRIBER WHO DOES NOT HAVE A RECORD OF 12 MONTHS OF ELECTRICITY USE AT THE TIME OF THE SUBSCRIBER’S MOST RECENT SUBSCRIPTION, AN ESTIMATE OF THE SUBSCRIBER’S ACCUMULATED 12 MONTHS OF ELECTRICITY USE IN KILOWATT-HOURS, DETERMINED IN A MANNER APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION.

(3) “COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY OFFSET RATE” MEANS A RATE MEASURED IN DOLLARS PER KILOWATT-HOUR THAT CORRESPONDS TO THE RATE A SUBSCRIBER WOULD HAVE BEEN CHARGED BY AN ELECTRIC COMPANY OR ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER DURING THE CURRENT BILLING CYCLE FOR:

(I) ENERGY;

(II) CAPACITY;

(III) TRANSMISSION; AND

(IV) 75% OF THE RATE A SUBSCRIBER WOULD HAVE BEEN CHARGED BY AN ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR THE VARIABLE DISTRIBUTION CHARGE.

**(4) “COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM” MEANS A RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEM THAT:**

**(I) GENERATES ELECTRICITY FROM:**

- 1. BIOMASS;**
- 2. GAS PRODUCED FROM THE ANAEROBIC DECOMPOSITION OF ANIMAL WASTE, INCLUDING POULTRY WASTE;**
- 3. GAS PRODUCED FROM THE GASIFICATION OF ORGANIC MATTER;**
- 4. SOLAR;**
- 5. WIND; OR**
- 6. MOVING WATER;**

**(II) IS LOCATED IN THE SAME ELECTRIC SERVICE TERRITORY AS ITS SUBSCRIBERS;**

**(III) IS ATTACHED TO THE ELECTRIC METER OF A SUBSCRIBER OR IS A SEPARATE FACILITY WITH ITS OWN ELECTRIC METER;**

**(IV) CREDITS ITS GENERATED ELECTRICITY TO THE BILLS OF THE SUBSCRIBERS TO THAT SYSTEM;**

**(V) HAS AT LEAST TWO SUBSCRIBERS;**

**(VI) HAS A GENERATING CAPACITY THAT DOES NOT EXCEED 2 MEGAWATTS AS MEASURED BY THE ALTERNATING CURRENT RATING OF THE SYSTEM’S INVERTER; AND**

**(VII) MAY BE OWNED BY ANY PERSON, INCLUDING A SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION, AN ELECTRIC COMPANY, OR AN ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER.**

**(5) “SUBSCRIBER” MEANS A RETAIL CUSTOMER OF AN ELECTRIC COMPANY WHO:**

**(I) HOLDS A SUBSCRIPTION TO A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM; AND**

(II) HAS IDENTIFIED ONE OR MORE INDIVIDUAL METERS OR ACCOUNTS TO WHICH THE SUBSCRIPTION SHALL BE ATTRIBUTED.

(6) “SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION” MEANS:

(I) A PERSON THAT OWNS OR OPERATES A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM; OR

(II) THE COLLECTIVE GROUP OF SUBSCRIBERS OF A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM.

(7) “SUBSCRIPTION” MEANS THE PORTION OF THE ELECTRICITY GENERATED BY A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM THAT IS CREDITED TO A SUBSCRIBER.

(8) “UNSUBSCRIBED ENERGY” MEANS ANY COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM OUTPUT IN KILOWATT-HOURS THAT IS NOT ALLOCATED TO ANY SUBSCRIBER.

(B) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT:

(1) COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEMS:

(I) PROVIDE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES, INCLUDING THOSE THAT LEASE PROPERTY, INCREASED ACCESS TO LOCAL RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY WHILE ENCOURAGING PRIVATE INVESTMENT IN RENEWABLE RESOURCES;

(II) STIMULATE IN-STATE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND ENTREPRENEURIAL INNOVATION;

(III) ENHANCE CONTINUED DIVERSIFICATION OF THE STATE’S ENERGY RESOURCE MIX TO ACHIEVE THE STATE’S RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO STANDARD AND GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION ACT GOALS; AND

(IV) PROVIDE ELECTRIC COMPANIES AND RATEPAYERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO REALIZE THE MANY BENEFITS ASSOCIATED WITH DISTRIBUTED ENERGY; AND

**(2) IT IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST THAT THE STATE ENABLE THE DEVELOPMENT AND DEPLOYMENT OF ENERGY GENERATION FROM COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEMS IN ORDER TO:**

**(I) ALLOW RENTERS AND LOW-INCOME AND MODERATE-INCOME RETAIL ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS TO OWN AN INTEREST IN A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM;**

**(II) FACILITATE MARKET ENTRY FOR ALL POTENTIAL SUBSCRIBERS WHILE GIVING PRIORITY TO SUBSCRIBERS WHO ARE THE MOST SENSITIVE TO MARKET BARRIERS; AND**

**(III) ENCOURAGE DEVELOPERS TO PROMOTE PARTICIPATION BY RENTERS AND LOW-INCOME AND MODERATE-INCOME RETAIL ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS.**

**(C) A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM, INCLUDING A SUBSCRIBER OR SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION ASSOCIATED WITH THE COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM, IS NOT:**

**(1) AN ELECTRIC COMPANY;**

**(2) AN ELECTRIC SUPPLIER; OR**

**(3) A GENERATING STATION.**

**(D) (1) THERE IS A PILOT PROGRAM ON COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEMS ADMINISTERED BY THE COMMISSION.**

**(2) THE PILOT PROGRAM SHALL BEGIN ON THE EARLIER OF:**

**(I) SUBMISSION OF THE FIRST PETITION OF A SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION UNDER SUBSECTION (E)(15) OF THIS SECTION; OR**

**(II) 6 MONTHS AFTER THE COMMISSION ADOPTS REGULATIONS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (I) OF THIS SECTION.**

**(3) THE PILOT PROGRAM SHALL TERMINATE 3 YEARS AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT DATE UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**

**(E) (1) THE STRUCTURE OF THE PILOT PROGRAM SHALL BE AS PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION.**

**(2) THE CUMULATIVE INSTALLED NAMEPLATE CAPACITY UNDER THE PILOT PROGRAM SHALL BE LIMITED TO:**

- (I) 15 MEGAWATTS DURING THE FIRST YEAR;**
- (II) 30 MEGAWATTS DURING THE SECOND YEAR; AND**
- (III) 50 MEGAWATTS DURING THE THIRD YEAR.**

**(3) ALL RATE CLASSES MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE PILOT PROGRAM.**

**(4) SUBSCRIBERS SERVED BY ELECTRIC STANDARD OFFER SERVICE AND ELECTRICITY SUPPLIERS MAY HOLD SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE SAME COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM.**

**(5) A SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION SHALL:**

**(I) DETERMINE HOW TO ALLOCATE SUBSCRIPTIONS TO SUBSCRIBERS; AND**

**(II) NOTIFY AN ELECTRIC COMPANY AND, IF APPLICABLE, A RELEVANT ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER ABOUT THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION UNDER SUBSECTION (I) OF THIS SECTION.**

**(6) A SUBSCRIBER'S SHARE OF THE ELECTRICITY GENERATED BY A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM SHALL BE DETERMINED BY MULTIPLYING THE COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY OFFSET RATE BY THE KILOWATT-HOURS GENERATED FROM THE COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM DURING THE CURRENT BILLING CYCLE AND ATTRIBUTED TO THE SUBSCRIBER'S SUBSCRIPTION.**

**(7) A SUBSCRIBER'S MONTHLY ELECTRIC BILL SHALL BE OFFSET UP TO, BUT NOT INCLUDING, THE CUSTOMER CHARGE BY SUBTRACTING THE DOLLAR VALUE OF THE SUBSCRIBER'S SHARE OF THE ELECTRICITY GENERATED BY A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM FROM THE SUBSCRIBER'S MONTHLY ELECTRIC BILL.**

**(8) NET EXCESS GENERATION CREDITS SHALL BE CARRIED FORWARD ON THE SUBSCRIBER'S BILL FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING 12 MONTHS, AFTER WHICH THE ELECTRIC COMPANY SHALL PAY THE SUBSCRIBER**

FOR THE DOLLAR VALUE OF ANY ACCRUED NET EXCESS GENERATION REMAINING.

(9) THE DOLLAR VALUE OF ACCRUED NET EXCESS GENERATION SHALL BE EQUAL TO THE NUMBER OF KILOWATT-HOURS OF NET EXCESS GENERATION ATTRIBUTED TO THE SUBSCRIBER MULTIPLIED BY THE RATE THE SUBSCRIBER WOULD HAVE BEEN CHARGED BY THE ELECTRIC COMPANY OR ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER FOR ELECTRICITY SUPPLY, CAPACITY, AND TRANSMISSION EXPENSES AVERAGED OVER THE PREVIOUS 12-MONTH PERIOD.

(10) IF A SUBSCRIBER IS SERVED BY AN ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER AND THE RATE THE SUBSCRIBER WOULD HAVE BEEN CHARGED BY THE ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER FOR ELECTRICITY SUPPLY, CAPACITY, AND TRANSMISSION EXPENSES IS NOT KNOWN FOR ALL OR PART OF THE PREVIOUS 12-MONTH PERIOD, THE DOLLAR VALUE OF ACCRUED NET EXCESS GENERATION SHALL BE CALCULATED BY USING THE RATE THAT THE SUBSCRIBER WOULD HAVE BEEN CHARGED BY AN ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR ELECTRICITY SUPPLY, CAPACITY, AND TRANSMISSION EXPENSES, AVERAGED OVER THE PREVIOUS 12-MONTH PERIOD, FOR STANDARD OFFER SERVICE.

(11) A SUBSCRIBER MAY NOT RECEIVE CREDIT FOR NET EXCESS GENERATION THAT EXCEEDS 120% OF THE SUBSCRIBER'S BASELINE ANNUAL USAGE.

(12) A SUBSCRIBER WITH A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM ATTACHED TO THE SUBSCRIBER'S ELECTRIC METER SHALL RECEIVE NET ENERGY METERING FOR THE SUBSCRIBER'S SUBSCRIPTION AT THE RATE ESTABLISHED UNDER § 7-306 OF THIS SUBTITLE UP TO 120% OF THE SUBSCRIBER'S BASELINE ANNUAL USAGE.

(13) ANY UNSUBSCRIBED ENERGY GENERATED BY A COMMUNITY ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM THAT IS NOT OWNED BY AN ELECTRIC COMPANY SHALL BE PURCHASED UNDER THE ELECTRIC COMPANY'S PROCESS FOR PURCHASING THE OUTPUT FROM QUALIFYING FACILITIES AT THE COMMODITY ENERGY SUPPLY RATE.

(14) ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH INTERCONNECTION ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION.

(15) A SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION MAY PETITION AN ELECTRIC COMPANY TO COORDINATE THE INTERCONNECTION AND COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATIONS OF A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM

AFTER THE COMMISSION ADOPTS REGULATIONS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (I) OF THIS SECTION.

(16) A SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION MAY CONTRACT WITH A THIRD PARTY FOR THE THIRD PARTY TO FINANCE, BUILD, OWN, OR OPERATE A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM.

(17) SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSION, AN ELECTRIC COMPANY MAY ASSESS A FAIR AND REASONABLE FEE TO BE PAID BY A SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PILOT PROGRAM.

(18) A MUNICIPAL UTILITY OR COOPERATIVE UTILITY MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE PILOT PROGRAM.

(F) (1) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS TITLE, AN ELECTRIC COMPANY MAY SUBMIT A PETITION TO OWN AND OPERATE A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM TO THE COMMISSION.

(II) THE COMMISSION SHALL APPROVE A PETITION SUBMITTED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH IF THE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT THE COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM WILL PROVIDE BENEFITS TO RATEPAYERS THROUGH:

1. AVOIDED TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION LINE LOSSES;
2. TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION UPGRADE DEFERRALS;
3. AVOIDED INTERCONNECTION COSTS;
4. ANCILLARY SERVICES AND VOLT-AMPERE REACTIVE (VAR) SUPPORT;
5. REDUCED LAND COSTS;
6. DEMAND CHARGE MANAGEMENT;
7. ELECTRIC SERVICE RELIABILITY; OR

8. ANY OTHER ADDITIONAL FACTORS THE COMMISSION CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE.

(III) THE COMMISSION SHALL APPROVE OR DENY A PETITION WITHIN 120 DAYS AFTER THE ELECTRIC COMPANY FILES THE PETITION.

(2) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, AN ELECTRIC COMPANY MAY NOT RECOVER THROUGH BASE RATES THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH DEVELOPING AND OWNING A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM.

(II) AN ELECTRIC COMPANY MAY RECOVER THROUGH BASE RATES THE COSTS THAT THE ELECTRIC COMPANY WOULD HAVE INCURRED IF THE COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM WERE DEVELOPED AND OWNED BY A PERSON OTHER THAN THE ELECTRIC COMPANY.

(3) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS TITLE, AN ELECTRIC COMPANY MAY SELL:

(I) UNSUBSCRIBED ENERGY, CAPACITY, AND ANCILLARY SERVICES PRODUCED BY THE ELECTRIC COMPANY'S COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEM TO THE MARKETS OPERATED BY PJM INTERCONNECTION; AND

(II) ENVIRONMENTAL ATTRIBUTES ASSOCIATED WITH THE ELECTRICITY GENERATED BY THE ELECTRIC COMPANY'S COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM TO ANY PERSON.

(G) (1) A CONTRACT RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM OR SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION THAT IS ENTERED INTO DURING THE PILOT PROGRAM SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT ACCORDING TO THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING AFTER THE TERMINATION OF THE PILOT PROGRAM.

(2) AFTER TERMINATION OF THE PILOT PROGRAM, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPERATIONAL AND BILLING REQUIREMENTS IN SUBSECTIONS (E) AND (F) OF THIS SECTION:

(I) A SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION MAY CONTINUE THE OPERATION OF A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM THAT BEGAN OPERATION DURING THE PILOT PROGRAM, INCLUDING THE CREATION AND TRADE OF SUBSCRIPTIONS; AND

(II) AN ELECTRIC COMPANY SHALL CONTINUE TO FACILITATE THE OPERATION OF A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM THAT BEGAN OPERATION DURING THE PILOT PROGRAM.

(H) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 13, 2016, THE MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSION, SHALL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ON:

(1) A TARIFF STRUCTURE FOR CUSTOMER-SITED, AGGREGATE, AND COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY METERING THAT ALLOWS AN ELECTRIC COMPANY TO RECOVER REASONABLE DISTRIBUTION COSTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES WHILE ENCOURAGING IN-STATE DISTRIBUTED GENERATION BY TAKING INTO ACCOUNT ELECTRIC COMPANY, RATEPAYER, AND PUBLIC HEALTH BENEFITS, WHICH MAY INCLUDE:

(I) AVOIDED TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION LINE LOSSES;

(II) TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION UPGRADE DEFERRALS;

(III) AVOIDED INTERCONNECTION COSTS;

(IV) ANCILLARY SERVICES AND VOLT-AMPERE REACTIVE (VAR) SUPPORT;

(V) REDUCED LAND COSTS;

(VI) DEMAND CHARGE MANAGEMENT;

(VII) ELECTRIC SERVICE RELIABILITY;

(VIII) REDUCED AIR EMISSIONS FROM GENERATION, INCLUDING CARBON DIOXIDE AND CRITERIA POLLUTANTS; AND

(IX) ANY ADDITIONAL FACTORS THE MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE;

(2) AN APPROPRIATE CREDIT MECHANISM AND OPERATIONAL STRUCTURE THAT ALLOWS A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING

SYSTEM TO MINIMIZE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS TO AN ELECTRIC COMPANY, ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER, OR SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION;

(3) A PROCESS TO ALLOW AN ELECTRIC COMPANY TO ADJUST THE STANDARD OFFER SERVICE PROCUREMENT IN RESPONSE TO COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM OUTPUT;

(4) WHETHER A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM AND ITS SUBSCRIBERS SHOULD BE COMPENSATED FOR AVOIDED TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION COSTS;

(5) THE IMPACT OF THE PILOT PROGRAM ON RESIDENTIAL RATEPAYERS;

(6) THE COSTS AND BENEFITS OF DIFFERENT COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM BUSINESS MODELS;

(7) THE PILOT PROGRAM'S SUCCESS IN ATTRACTING LOW-INCOME AND MODERATE-INCOME RETAIL ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS;

(8) THE IMPLICATIONS OF MAKING THE PILOT PROGRAM PERMANENT; AND

(9) ANY ADDITIONAL POLICY CONSIDERATIONS THE MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE.

(I) ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2015, THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION, INCLUDING REGULATIONS FOR:

(1) CONSUMER PROTECTION;

(2) A PROTOCOL FOR ELECTRIC COMPANIES, ELECTRICITY SUPPLIERS, AND SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATIONS TO COMMUNICATE THE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO CALCULATE AND PROVIDE THE MONTHLY ELECTRIC BILL CREDITS AND YEARLY NET EXCESS GENERATION PAYMENTS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION; AND

(3) A PROTOCOL FOR A SUBSCRIBER ORGANIZATION TO COORDINATE WITH AN ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR THE INTERCONNECTION AND COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATIONS OF A COMMUNITY RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Public Service Commission shall notify the General Assembly and the Department of Legislative Services when the pilot program begins in accordance with Section 1 of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2014.