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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Windfall Oil Profits Tax - Energy-Saving Investment Program

- 3 FOR the purpose of imposing a certain tax on certain income of certain corporations,
- 4 computed under a certain method; establishing an Energy-Saving Investment
- 5 Program administered by the Maryland Energy Administration and consisting
- 6 of energy efficiency programs; creating an Energy-Saving Investment Fund to
- 7 provide funding for certain purposes; providing for the distribution to the Fund
- 8 of the revenues from a certain tax on certain income of certain corporations;
- 9 requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to develop, manage, supervise,
- and administer certain energy efficiency programs; providing for the
- preparation and submission of a plan to implement certain energy efficiency
- programs throughout the State; establishing an Energy-Saving Investment
- Advisory Board with certain membership and duties; providing for the
- termination of the Program established and the tax imposed under this Act;
- providing for the disposition of certain funds after a certain date; defining
- certain terms; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to
- the Energy-Saving Investment Program.
- 18 BY adding to
- 19 Article Tax General
- 20 Section 2-613.1 and 10-102.2
- 21 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 22 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)
- 23 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 24 Article Tax General
- 25 Section 2-614(a), 2-615, and 10-101(n)
- 26 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 27 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)
- 28 BY adding to
- 29 Article Public Utility Companies
- 30 Section 7-801 through 7-808 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 8.

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1 Energy-Saving Investment Program" Annotated Code of Maryland 2 3 (1998 Volume and 2005 Supplement) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 4 5 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: **Article - Tax - General** 6 7 2-613.1. AFTER MAKING THE DISTRIBUTION REQUIRED UNDER § 2-613 OF THIS 8 9 SUBTITLE, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE REVENUE FROM THE 10 WINDFALL PROFITS TAX IMPOSED UNDER § 10-102.2 OF THIS ARTICLE TO THE 11 ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 7-803 OF THE PUBLIC 12 UTILITY COMPANIES ARTICLE. 13 2-614. After making the [distribution] DISTRIBUTIONS required under [§ 2-613] 14 (a) 15 §§ 2-613 AND 2-613.1 of this subtitle, the Comptroller shall distribute monthly 24% of 16 the remaining income tax revenue from corporations to a special fund to be 17 distributed as provided in subsection (b) of this section. 18 2-615. 19 After making the distributions required under [§§ 2-613 and 2-614] §§ 2-613, 20 2-613.1, AND 2-614 of this subtitle, the Comptroller shall distribute the remaining 21 income tax revenue from corporations to the General Fund of the State. 22 10-101. 23 "State income tax" means the State tax on income imposed under this (n) (1) 24 title. "STATE INCOME TAX" INCLUDES THE WINDFALL PROFITS TAX 25 (2) 26 IMPOSED UNDER § 10-102.2 OF THIS SUBTITLE. 27 10-102.2. IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS 28 (A) (1) 29 INDICATED. 30 "ADJUSTED BASE YEAR UNITARY INCOME" MEANS, FOR ANY 31 TAXABLE YEAR, THE UNITARY INCOME OF A CORPORATION FOR THE BASE YEAR 32 INCREASED BY A PERCENTAGE EQUAL TO 110% OF THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE, IF 33 ANY, IN THE TOTAL MARYLAND TAXABLE INCOME OF ALL CORPORATIONS FOR THE 34 MOST RECENT TAXABLE YEAR FOR WHICH DATA IS AVAILABLE OVER THE TOTAL 35 MARYLAND TAXABLE INCOME OF ALL CORPORATIONS FOR THE BASE YEAR, AS 36 DETERMINED BY THE COMPTROLLER UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.

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- 1 (3) "BASE YEAR" MEANS THE TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING IN 2004 OR 2 ANOTHER TAXABLE YEAR AS THE COMPTROLLER ALLOWS UNDER SUBSECTION (D) 3 OF THIS SECTION.
- 4 (4) "INTEGRATED OIL COMPANY" MEANS:
- 5 (I) A CORPORATION THAT IS ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF 6 PRODUCING, REFINING, DISTRIBUTING, OR MARKETING PETROLEUM PRODUCTS; OR
- 7 (II) AN AFFILIATED GROUP OF CORPORATIONS:
- 8 1. THAT IS ENGAGED IN A UNITARY BUSINESS OF 9 PRODUCING, REFINING, DISTRIBUTING, OR MARKETING PETROLEUM PRODUCTS; 10 AND
- 11 2. MORE THAN 50% OF THE VOTING STOCK OF EACH 12 MEMBER OF WHICH IS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY OWNED BY:
- 13 A. A COMMON OWNER OR COMMON OWNERS, EITHER 14 CORPORATE OR NONCORPORATE; OR
- 15 B. ONE OR MORE MEMBER CORPORATIONS OF THE GROUP.
- 16 (5) "UNITARY INCOME" MEANS THE MARYLAND TAXABLE INCOME THAT 17 A CORPORATION WOULD HAVE REPORTED FOR A TAXABLE YEAR USING THE 18 UNITARY METHOD.
- 19 (6) "UNITARY METHOD" MEANS A METHOD OF COMPUTING MARYLAND
- 20 TAXABLE INCOME, AS PRESCRIBED BY REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE
- 21 COMPTROLLER, UNDER WHICH EACH CORPORATION THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE
- 22 MARYLAND INCOME TAX AND IS A MEMBER OF AN AFFILIATED GROUP OF
- 23 CORPORATIONS THAT IS AN INTEGRATED OIL COMPANY DETERMINES THE PART OF
- 24 THE CORPORATION'S MARYLAND MODIFIED INCOME THAT IS DERIVED FROM OR
- 25 REASONABLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO TRADE OR BUSINESS CARRIED ON IN THE STATE BY
- 26 ALLOCATING THE ENTIRE INCOME OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE AFFILIATED GROUP OF
- 27 CORPORATIONS TO THE STATE USING THE COMBINED ALLOCATION FACTORS OF ALL
- 28 MEMBERS OF THE AFFILIATED GROUP.
- 29 (7) "WINDFALL PROFITS" MEANS, FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR, THE EXCESS
- 30 OF A CORPORATION'S UNITARY INCOME FOR THE CURRENT TAXABLE YEAR OVER
- 31 THE CORPORATION'S ADJUSTED BASE YEAR UNITARY INCOME.
- 32 (B) (1) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION, IN ADDITION TO THE
- 33 TAX IMPOSED UNDER § 10-102 OF THIS ARTICLE, FOR EACH TAXABLE YEAR A TAX IS
- 34 IMPOSED ON THE WINDFALL PROFITS OF EACH CORPORATION THAT IS AN
- 35 INTEGRATED OIL COMPANY OR IS A MEMBER OF AN AFFILIATED GROUP OF
- 36 CORPORATIONS THAT IS AN INTEGRATED OIL COMPANY.
- 37 (2) THE RATE OF THE TAX IMPOSED UNDER THIS SECTION IS 50% OF A 38 CORPORATION'S WINDFALL PROFITS.

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- 1 (C) (1) FOR EACH TAXABLE YEAR, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL DETERMINE
- 2 AND PUBLISH THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN THE TOTAL MARYLAND TAXABLE
- 3 INCOME OF ALL CORPORATIONS FOR THE MOST RECENT TAXABLE YEAR FOR WHICH
- 4 DATA IS AVAILABLE OVER THE TOTAL MARYLAND TAXABLE INCOME OF ALL
- 5 CORPORATIONS FOR 2004.
- 6 (2) IF THE COMPTROLLER ALLOWS A CORPORATION TO USE A BASE
- 7 YEAR OTHER THAN 2004 FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, FOR EACH TAXABLE YEAR
- 8 THE COMPTROLLER SHALL DETERMINE AND NOTIFY THE CORPORATION OF THE
- 9 PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN THE TOTAL MARYLAND TAXABLE INCOME OF ALL
- 10 CORPORATIONS FOR THE MOST RECENT TAXABLE YEAR FOR WHICH DATA IS
- 11 AVAILABLE OVER THE TOTAL MARYLAND TAXABLE INCOME OF ALL CORPORATIONS
- 12 FOR THE BASE YEAR.
- 13 (D) THE COMPTROLLER MAY ALLOW A CORPORATION TO USE A BASE YEAR
- 14 OTHER THAN 2004 FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION IF THE CORPORATION
- 15 DEMONSTRATES TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COMPTROLLER THAT THE
- 16 CORPORATION'S UNITARY INCOME FOR 2004 WAS SUBSTANTIALLY LOWER THAN IT
- 17 OTHERWISE WOULD HAVE BEEN AS A RESULT OF NONRECURRING LOSSES OR OTHER
- 18 DIMINUTIONS OF INCOME THAT WERE PROPERLY ALLOCABLE TO THE TAXPAYER'S
- 19 2004 TAXABLE YEAR.
- 20 (E) THE TAX IMPOSED UNDER THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO ANY
- 21 TAXABLE YEAR BEGINNING AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2015.
- 22 Article Public Utility Companies
- 23 SUBTITLE 8. ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT PROGRAM.
- 24 7-801.
- 25 (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
- 26 INDICATED.
- 27 (B) "ADMINISTRATION" MEANS THE MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION.
- 28 (C) "BOARD" MEANS THE ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD
- 29 ESTABLISHED UNDER § 7-805 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- 30 (D) "COST-EFFECTIVE" MEANS THAT THE TOTAL RESOURCE BENEFITS OF A
- 31 PROGRAM EXCEED THE TOTAL RESOURCE COSTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE PROGRAM
- 32 FOR THE PROGRAM'S FULL DURATION AND THE LIFE OF MEASURES IMPLEMENTED
- 33 UNDER THE PROGRAM.
- 34 (E) "ENERGY" MEANS ELECTRICITY AND NATURAL GAS.
- 35 (F) "ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT" MEANS A CONTRACT CONSISTENT
- 36 WITH TITLE 12, SUBTITLE 3 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

- 1 (G) "FUND" MEANS THE ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT FUND ESTABLISHED 2 UNDER § 7-803 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- 3 (H) "LOW-INCOME CUSTOMER" MEANS A CUSTOMER WITH A HOUSEHOLD
- 4 INCOME NOT EXCEEDING 150% OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL, IN THE
- 5 GUIDELINES FOR THE 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES PUBLISHED BY THE FEDERAL
- 6 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.
- 7 (I) "PLAN" MEANS THE ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT PLAN ESTABLISHED 8 UNDER § 7-804 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- 9 7-802.
- 10 (A) THERE IS AN ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT PROGRAM.
- 11 (B) THE ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT PROGRAM CONSISTS OF ENERGY 12 EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS.
- 13 7-803.
- 14 (A) THERE IS AN ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT FUND.
- 15 (B) THE PURPOSE OF THE FUND IS TO INCREASE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR 16 ENERGY CONSUMERS THROUGHOUT MARYLAND TO:
- 17 (1) SAVE ENERGY;
- 18 (2) REDUCE CONSUMERS' TOTAL ENERGY COSTS; AND
- 19 (3) REDUCE POLLUTION AND THREATS TO PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATED 20 WITH ENERGY PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION.
- 21 (C) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:
- 22 (1) THE REVENUES FROM THE WINDFALL PROFITS TAX DISTRIBUTED
- 23 TO THE FUND UNDER § 2-613.1 OF THE TAX GENERAL ARTICLE; AND
- 24 (2) ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE FUND OR MADE
- 25 AVAILABLE TO THE FUND FROM ANY SOURCE.
- 26 (D) THE TREASURER SHALL HOLD THE FUND AND SHALL INVEST THE MONEY
- 27 OF THE FUND IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER STATE MONEY MAY BE INVESTED
- 28 AND THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND IN CONJUNCTION WITH
- 29 THE ADMINISTRATION.
- 30 (E) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, CONTINUING, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT
- 31 SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.
- 32 (F) NOT MORE THAN 10% OF THE FUNDS PLACED IN THE FUND MAY BE
- 33 EXPENDED BY THE ADMINISTRATION ON MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISION OF
- 34 ACTIVITIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

- 1 (G) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL DISBURSE FUNDS FROM THE FUND IN 2 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE.
- 3 7-804.
- 4 (A) (1) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL PREPARE AND MAINTAIN AN 5 ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT PLAN.
- 6 (2) ALL DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE FUND SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE 7 WITH THE PLAN.
- 8 (3) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL SUBMIT THE INITIAL PLAN TO THE 9 GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE 10 GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2007.
- 11 (4) (I) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL PERIODICALLY UPDATE THE 12 PLAN.
- 13 (II) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2009, THE ADMINISTRATION 14 SHALL SUBMIT ITS FIRST UPDATED PLAN TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 15 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
- 16 (B) THE PLAN SHALL DESCRIBE, EVALUATE, AND RECOMMEND ENERGY 17 EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS THAT ARE DESIGNED TO ACCOMPLISH ONE OR MORE OF 18 THE FOLLOWING OBJECTIVES:
- 19 (1) TO TRANSFORM MARKETS, SO THAT ENERGY-EFFICIENT PRODUCTS 20 AND SERVICES THAT ARE NOT BROADLY AVAILABLE AND USED BY MARYLAND
- 21 CONSUMERS BECOME STANDARD PRODUCT OFFERINGS;
- 22 (2) TO CAPTURE OPPORTUNITIES OTHERWISE LOST FOR 23 COST-EFFECTIVE ENERGY EFFICIENT DESIGNS, MATERIALS, AND EQUIPMENT
- 24 WHEN HOMES AND BUILDINGS ARE BUILT, REMODELED, OR RENOVATED AND WHEN
- 25 EQUIPMENT IS REPLACED;
- 26 (3) TO REDUCE PEAK DEMAND FOR ELECTRICITY AND IMPROVE
- 27 SERVICE RELIABILITY FOR ALL CUSTOMERS THROUGH ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- 28 MEASURES THAT ARE ESPECIALLY EFFECTIVE AT REDUCING PEAK SYSTEM
- 29 DEMANDS;
- 30 (4) TO REDUCE PEAK DEMAND AND SEASONAL PRICE VOLATILITY FOR 31 NATURAL GAS;
- 32 (5) TO ENSURE THAT LOW-INCOME CUSTOMERS CAN FULLY
- 33 PARTICIPATE IN OPPORTUNITIES TO SAVE ENERGY AND REDUCE THEIR ENERGY
- 34 COSTS; AND
- 35 (6) TO ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMERCIALLY VIABLE
- 36 RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES IN THE STATE.

- 1 (C) THE PLAN SHALL CONTAIN:
- 2 (1) RELEVANT BASELINE INFORMATION AS MAY BE AVAILABLE
- 3 REGARDING ENERGY SALES AND CONSUMPTION, PATTERNS OF ENERGY USAGE, AND
- 4 PREVAILING PRACTICES IN THE MARYLAND MARKETPLACE FOR GOODS AND
- 5 SERVICES THAT INFLUENCE ENERGY CONSUMPTION, TOGETHER WITH PLANS FOR
- 6 SUPPLEMENTING AVAILABLE BASELINE INFORMATION WITH NEW DATA;
- 7 (2) COST-EFFECTIVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS RECOMMENDED 8 FOR IMPLEMENTATION, INCLUDING:
- 9 (I) MARKET TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMS AND
- 10 LOST-OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS IN AREAS SUCH AS RESIDENTIAL APPLIANCES.
- 11 LIGHTING, WINDOWS, INSULATION, HEATING, AIR-CONDITIONING, AND NEW HOME
- 12 CONSTRUCTION;
- 13 (II) ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACT PROGRAMS WITH OPEN
- 14 AND COMPETITIVE ACCESS TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY FUNDS; AND
- 15 (III) OTHER ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS NECESSARY TO
- 16 ADDRESS THE SPECIALIZED NEEDS OF FARMERS, TENANTS, LOW-INCOME
- 17 CONSUMERS, OR OTHER RESIDENTIAL CONSUMER GROUPS:
- 18 (3) GOALS, MILESTONES, PERFORMANCE INDICATORS, AND BUDGETS
- 19 FOR EACH ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM RECOMMENDED FOR IMPLEMENTATION:
- 20 (4) PROCEDURES FOR GATHERING INFORMATION ON THE EFFECTS OF
- 21 EACH RECOMMENDED ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM;
- 22 (5) AN EVALUATION OF EACH RECOMMENDED ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- 23 PROGRAM, INCLUDING AN ASSESSMENT OF ITS COST-EFFECTIVENESS;
- 24 (6) THE VIEWS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, IF ANY, OF THE BOARD;
- 25 (7) A LIST OF RESIDENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS
- 26 INDEPENDENTLY UNDERTAKEN BY AN ELECTRIC COMPANY OR GAS COMPANY WITH
- 27 COMMISSION APPROVAL UNDER § 7-211 OF THIS TITLE; AND
- 28 (8) A DEMONSTRATION THAT ANY ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM
- 29 RECOMMENDED UNDER THIS SECTION DOES NOT DUPLICATE AND IS NOT
- 30 INCONSISTENT WITH THE OBJECTIVES OF A RESIDENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- 31 PROGRAM APPROVED UNDER § 7-211 OF THIS TITLE.
- 32 (D) THE PLAN SHALL PROVIDE THAT:
- 33 (1) ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS ARE OFFERED TO RESIDENTIAL
- 34 RETAIL ELECTRIC CUSTOMERS AND RESIDENTIAL RETAIL GAS CUSTOMERS IN ALL
- 35 AREAS OF THE STATE;

- 1 (2) EACH RECOMMENDED ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM WILL YIELD 2 NET SAVINGS OF ENERGY:
- 3 (3) AT LEAST 25% OF THE FUNDS SHALL BE DIRECTED TOWARD ENERGY
- 4 EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS TO SERVE LOW-INCOME RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC
- 5 CUSTOMERS AND LOW-INCOME RESIDENTIAL GAS CUSTOMERS; AND
- 6 (4) ANY ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM FOUND TO BE NO LONGER 7 COST-EFFECTIVE MAY NOT BE CONTINUED.
- 8 (E) FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING WHETHER AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- 9 PROGRAM IS COST-EFFECTIVE, BENEFITS OF THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM
- 10 INCLUDE THE MONETARY VALUE OF ELECTRICITY, NATURAL GAS, AND WATER
- 11 SAVED AS A RESULT OF THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM.
- 12 (F) FOR PURPOSES OF ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF
- 13 ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS:
- 14 (1) AN APPROPRIATE RANGE OF MONETARY VALUE SHALL BE ASSIGNED
- 15 TO EACH EXTERNALITY ASSOCIATED WITH THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM; AND
- 16 (2) OTHER FACTORS BEING EQUAL, EMPHASIS SHALL BE GIVEN TO
- 17 ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS THAT REDUCE PEAK DEMANDS FOR ELECTRICITY
- 18 OR NATURAL GAS.
- 19 (G) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL:
- 20 (1) MANAGE, SUPERVISE, AND ADMINISTER THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- 21 PROGRAMS IMPLEMENTED UNDER THE PLAN;
- 22 (2) ADOPT REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO ENSURE THAT THE
- 23 IMPLEMENTED ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THE
- 24 PLAN; AND
- 25 (3) DEVELOP PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING AND ASSESSING ALL
- 26 ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS IMPLEMENTED UNDER THE PLAN.
- 27 7-805.
- 28 (A) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2006, THE DIRECTOR OF THE ADMINISTRATION
- 29 SHALL CONVENE AN ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD.
- 30 (B) THE BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS APPOINTED
- 31 TO FIXED TERMS BY THE ADMINISTRATION, AND SHALL INCLUDE:
- 32 (1) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S COUNSEL,
- 33 SELECTED BY THE PEOPLE'S COUNSEL;
- 34 (2) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE STAFF OF THE COMMISSION, SELECTED
- 35 BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION;

- 1 ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH PARTICIPATING ELECTRIC
- 2 COMPANY, INCLUDING ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH PARTICIPATING MUNICIPAL
- 3 CORPORATION AND EACH PARTICIPATING COOPERATIVE, SELECTED BY THE
- 4 RESPECTIVE ELECTRIC COMPANY, MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, AND COOPERATIVE;
- 5 (4) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH PARTICIPATING GAS COMPANY,
- 6 SELECTED BY THE RESPECTIVE GAS COMPANY;
- 7 (5) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT THAT
- 8 ADMINISTERS A WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM THAT SERVES LOW-INCOME
- 9 RESIDENTS, SELECTED BY THE SECRETARY OF THAT UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT; 10 AND
- 11 (6) TWO REPRESENTATIVES OF NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
- 12 CONCERNED WITH ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND ONE
- 13 REPRESENTATIVE OF A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT SERVES
- 14 LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS.
- 15 (C) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (B)(3) AND (4) OF THIS SECTION, A GAS
- 16 AND ELECTRIC COMPANY SHALL ONLY HAVE ONE REPRESENTATIVE ON THE BOARD.
- 17 (D) THE BOARD SHALL PROVIDE THE ADMINISTRATION WITH REVIEW AND
- 18 COMMENT ON:
- 19 (1) DRAFT AND FINAL VERSIONS OF THE PLAN, PLAN UPDATES, AND
- 20 PLAN SUPPLEMENTS;
- 21 (2) GOALS, MILESTONES, BUDGETS, AND PERFORMANCE INDICATORS
- 22 FOR EACH ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM IN THE PLAN, ON A SEMIANNUAL BASIS;
- 23 (3) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROSPECTIVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY
- 24 PROGRAMS; AND
- 25 (4) OTHER MATTERS CONCERNING THE ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT
- 26 PROGRAM THAT THE BOARD CHOOSES TO ADDRESS.
- 27 (E) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION AUTHORIZES THE BOARD TO APPROVE OR
- 28 DISAPPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS, EXPENDITURES, THE SELECTION OF
- 29 CONTRACTORS, OR ANY OTHER RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ADMINISTRATION UNDER
- 30 THIS SUBTITLE.
- 31 7-806.
- 32 THE ADMINISTRATION MAY CONTRACT WITH ONE OR MORE
- 33 NONGOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES FOR ASSISTANCE IN CARRYING OUT ITS
- 34 RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

- 1 7-807.
- 2 (A) ON OR BEFORE MARCH 30, 2008, AND MARCH 30 OF EACH SUCCEEDING
- 3 YEAR THROUGH 2015, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL, IN COOPERATION WITH THE
- 4 COMPTROLLER, SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT ON THE FUND TO THE GENERAL
- 5 ASSEMBLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.
- 6 (B) THE REPORT SHALL INCLUDE:
- 7 (1) AN ACCOUNTING OF ALL FUNDS DEPOSITED TO AND DISBURSED 8 FROM THE FUND;
- 9 (2) A DESCRIPTION OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS PROPOSED, 10 UNDERWAY, OR COMPLETED; AND
- 11 (3) A SUMMARY OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM RESULTS,
- 12 EXPRESSED, AS APPLICABLE, IN TERMS OF ENERGY SAVINGS, COST SAVINGS TO
- 13 CONSUMERS, POLLUTION PREVENTION, AND MARKET EFFECTS.
- 14 7-808.
- 15 (A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THIS SUBTITLE AND THE
- 16 ENERGY-SAVING INVESTMENT PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE
- 17 SHALL TERMINATE AT THE END OF JUNE 30, 2016.
- 18 (B) ANY UNCOMMITTED FUNDS REMAINING IN THE FUND AT THE END OF
- 19 JUNE 30, 2016, AND ANY FUNDS REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE FUND
- 20 AFTER JUNE 30, 2016, SHALL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE
- 21 STATE.
- 22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That § 10-102.2 of the Tax -
- 23 General Article as enacted by Section 1 of this Act shall be applicable to all taxable
- 24 years beginning after December 31, 2005.
- 25 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 26 July 1, 2006.