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BY: Senator Middleton

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 309
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, in line 9, after “circumstances;” insert “authorizing the Governor to extend the date under which a specified mandate has to be achieved under certain circumstances;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 15, after line 28, insert:

“(C) (1) THE GOVERNOR MAY ADJUST THE DEADLINES FOR THE ADOPTION OF INDIVIDUAL REGULATIONS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IF THE GOVERNOR DETERMINES THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PHASE I, II, OR III EMISSIONS REDUCTION MEASURES WOULD:

(I) RESULT IN SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN ELECTRIC RATES FOR RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES IN THE STATE, OR FOR A PARTICULAR CLASS OF RATEPAYERS, THAT WOULD NOT BE OFFSET BY RATE RELIEF FUNDS OR SAVINGS FROM ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION MEASURES AND SERVICES;

(II) RESULT IN THE LOSS OF A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF MANUFACTURING JOBS IN THE STATE TO MARKETS THAT ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ADHERE TO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION REQUIREMENTS;

(III) SIGNIFICANTLY AND ADVERSELY AFFECT THE ADEQUACY OF THE ENERGY SUPPLY IN THE STATE; OR

(Over)

(IV) CAUSE A SEVERE DISRUPTION OF THE STATE ECONOMY.

(2) A DEADLINE ADJUSTMENT UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT EXCEED 1 CALENDAR YEAR.”;

in line 29, strike “(C)” and substitute “(D)”;

in line 30, strike “AND (B)” and substitute “, (B), AND (C)”;

and after line 32, insert:

“(E) (1) AFTER ADJUSTING THE DEADLINES FOR INDIVIDUAL REGULATIONS UNDER SUBSECTION (A), (B), OR (C) OF THIS SECTION, THE GOVERNOR MAY EXTEND THE DATE BY WHICH THE MANDATE UNDER § 2-1203(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE HAS TO BE ACHIEVED IF:

(I) THE GOVERNOR REQUIRES THE DEPARTMENT OR THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, AS APPROPRIATE, TO HOLD HEARINGS ON THE IMPACT A SITUATION DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (A), (B), OR (C) OF THIS SECTION HAS HAD OR WOULD HAVE ON ACHIEVING THE MANDATE UNDER § 2-1203(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

(II) BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OR THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, AS APPROPRIATE, THE GOVERNOR DETERMINES THAT EXTENDING THE DATE BY WHICH THE MANDATE UNDER § 2-1203(A) HAS TO BE ACHIEVED IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE OVERALL INTERESTS OF THE STATE.

(2) IF THE GOVERNOR EXTENDS THE DATE BY WHICH THE MANDATE UNDER § 2-1203(A) OF THE SUBTITLE HAS TO BE ACHIEVED, THE DEPARTMENT MAY ESTABLISH A NEW DATE BY REGULATION.”.