

**SB0516/403723/1**

BY: Senator Hough

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 516, AS AMENDED  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2 of the bill, in line 19, after “program;” insert “removing certain forms of energy from the definition of “Tier 1 renewable source” after a certain date;”; and in line 27, strike “providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act;” and substitute “providing for the application of this Act;”.

On page 3 of the bill, in line 18, strike “(r),” and substitute “(r)(8) through (12).”.

On page 1 of the Finance Committee Amendments (SB0516/147070/1), in line 3 from the bottom of Amendment No. 1, strike “7-704(a)(4)” and substitute “7-704(a)(2) and (4)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 4 and 5 of the Finance Committee Amendments, in Amendment No. 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 13 on page 4 through line 4 on page 5, inclusive.

On page 5 of the Finance Committee Amendments, in Amendment No. 2, strike beginning with “(9)” in line 8 down through “system.” in line 11.

On page 31 of the bill, after line 28, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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(r) “Tier 1 renewable source” means one or more of the following types of energy sources:

(9) poultry litter-to-energy; AND

(10) [waste-to-energy;

(11) refuse-derived fuel; and

(12)] thermal energy from a thermal biomass system.

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(a) (2) (i) Energy from a Tier 1 renewable source under § 7-701(r)(1), (5), OR (9)[, (10), or (11)] of this subtitle is eligible for inclusion in meeting the renewable energy portfolio standard only if the source is connected with the electric distribution grid serving Maryland.

(ii) If the owner of a solar generating system in this State chooses to sell solar renewable energy credits from that system, the owner must first offer the credits for sale to an electricity supplier or electric company that shall apply them toward compliance with the renewable energy portfolio standard under § 7-703 of this subtitle.”.

On page 12 of the Finance Committee Amendments, in line 5 of Amendment No. 2, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”; in line 6, strike “3.” and substitute “4.”; and in line 7, strike “4.” and substitute “6.”.

On page 33 of the bill, after line 5, insert:

“SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall apply to all renewable energy portfolio standard compliance years beginning after December 31, 2019.”.