SENATE BILL 257

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CHAPTER ______

1   AN ACT concerning

2     Public Service Commission – Reporting Requirements

3 FOR the purpose of altering the date by which the Public Service Commission must submit
4 a report on the status of a certain net metering program; repealing a reporting
5 requirement on customer education about competitive electricity supply; and
6 generally relating to reporting requirements of the Public Service Commission.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8     Article – Public Utilities
9     Section 1–101(a) and (d)
10    Annotated Code of Maryland
11    (2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13     Article – Public Utilities
14     Section 7–306(i)
15    Annotated Code of Maryland
16    (2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

17 BY repealing
18     Article – Public Utilities
19     Section 7–510.1(f)
20    Annotated Code of Maryland
21    (2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.
Strike-out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by
amendment.
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Public Utilities

1–101.

(a) In this division the following words have the meanings indicated.

(d) “Commission” means the Public Service Commission.

7–306.

(i) On or before [September] NOVEMBER 1 of each year, the Commission shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, on the status of the net metering program under this section, including:

(1) the amount of capacity of electric generating facilities owned and operated by eligible customer–generators in the State by type of energy resource;

(2) based on the need to encourage a diversification of the State’s energy resource mix to ensure reliability, whether the rated generating capacity limit in subsection (d) of this section should be altered; and

(3) other pertinent information.

7–510.1.

[(f) On or before December 31 of each year, the Commission shall report, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly on the status and success of the Commission’s efforts to educate customers about customer choice under this section.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022.