

SB0001/803127/1

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AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1, AS AMENDED

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the Economic Matters Committee Amendments (SB0001/833524/1), in line 1 of Amendment No. 1, strike “prohibiting” and substitute “requiring”; in line 2, strike “from” and substitute “to obtain approval from the Commission before”; in lines 2 and 3, strike “with a commercial or industrial customer”; and in line 7, after “7-506.1,” insert “7-506.2,”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 and 3 of the Economic Matters Committee Amendments, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 19 on page 2 of Amendment No. 2 through line 4 on page 3 of Amendment No. 2, inclusive, and substitute:

“(A) IN THIS SECTION, “DATA CENTER” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 11-239 OF THE TAX – GENERAL ARTICLE.

“(B) THE COMMISSION SHALL REQUIRE AN ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER OR OTHER OWNER OF A GENERATING STATION TO OBTAIN APPROVAL FROM THE COMMISSION UNDER THIS SECTION BEFORE THE ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER OR OTHER OWNER OF A GENERATING STATION MAY ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF THE DIRECT SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY TO A DATA CENTER IN A WAY THAT BYPASSES:”.

On page 3 of the Economic Matters Committee Amendments, in line 7 of Amendment No. 2, after “COMPANY.” insert:

“(C) ON APPLICATION BY AN ELECTRICITY SUPPLIER OR OTHER OWNER OF A GENERATING STATION OR THE OWNER OR OPERATOR OF A DATA CENTER,

THE COMMISSION SHALL HOLD A PROCEEDING TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PROPOSED CONTRACT IS MORE BENEFICIAL TO RATEPAYERS THAN THE PROVISION OF THE DIRECT SUPPLY OF ELECTRICITY TO THE DATA CENTER IN A WAY THAT DOES NOT BYPASS:

(1) INTERCONNECTION WITH THE ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM; OR

(2) THE DISTRIBUTION SERVICES OF AN ELECTRIC COMPANY.

(D) IF THE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT THE PROPOSED CONTRACT IS MORE BENEFICIAL TO THE RATEPAYERS, THE COMMISSION MAY APPROVE THE PROPOSED CONTRACT.

7-506.2.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, "DATA CENTER" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 11-239 OF THE TAX - GENERAL ARTICLE.

(B) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2024, AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE COMMISSION, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION, SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ON THE RELIABILITY OF THE MAIN FUEL SOURCES USED TO POWER ANY DATA CENTER BUILT IN THE STATE, INCLUDING, FOR EACH DATA CENTER:

(1) THE NUMBER OF TIMES IN THE PRECEDING YEAR THAT BACKUP GENERATION WAS USED;

(2) THE TYPE OF BACKUP GENERATION USED; AND

(3) THE DURATION OF EACH TIME THE BACKUP GENERATION WAS
USED.”.