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CHAPTER 122

(House Bill 1323)

AN ACT concerning

Electric Companies - Net Energy Metering - Accrual of Generated Electricity - Crediting to Customer's Account

FOR the purpose of allowing customer-generators that own and operate or lease and operate certain solar, biomass, or wind electric generating facilities and that have a net energy metering contract with an electric company to accrue electricity generation credit for a certain period; requiring the electric company to carry forward a negative kilowatts per hour reading until the customer-generator begins to consume electricity from the grid for a certain period under certain circumstances; requiring any surplus energy generated during the period in which the customer-generator accrued generation credit to be credited to the account of the customer-generator in a certain manner and during a certain period of time altering the definition of eligible customer-generator to include certain customers that lease and operate certain generating facilities; authorizing the Public Service Commission to require certain customer-generators whose facilities are sized to produce energy in excess of a certain annual energy consumption to install a certain dual meter; requiring the Commission to develop a certain credit formula for certain customer-generators whose facilities are sized to produce energy in excess of a certain annual energy consumption; and generally relating to net energy metering and the electricity generated by the use of solar, biomass, or wind electric generating facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Public Utility Companies

Section 7-306

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Public Utility Companies

7-306.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) "Biomass" means "qualified biomass" as defined in § 7-701 of this title.