

SHB 2510 - H AMD TO H AMD (H-4696.1/18) **1025**

By Representative Fey

1 On page 2, at the beginning of line 4 of the striking amendment,
2 strike all material through "year" on line 6 and insert "hundred
3 ninety-nine kilowatts and is sized no greater than the capacity
4 required to meet one hundred percent of the customer-generator's total
5 electricity consumption during the previous year"

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7 On page 5, line 12 of the striking amendment, after "On" insert
8 "March 31st or"

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10 On page 5, line 13 of the striking amendment, after "previous"
11 strike "year" and insert "~~((year--)) twelve months"~~

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13 On page 5, after line 15 of the striking amendment, insert the
14 following:

15 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 80.60
16 RCW to read as follows:

17 (1) The department of commerce shall convene a work group to
18 identify issues and laws associated with the future of net metering.
19 The work group shall include representatives from consumer-owned
20 utilities, investor-owned utilities, the utilities and
21 transportation commission, the solar industry, and any other
22 relevant participants.

23 (2) The department shall provide the work group's report to the
24 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2019. As
25 part of the report, the work group must consider the reduction in
26 utility income associated with different levels of net metering and
27 the increase necessary in retail electric rates to affected rate

1 classes to recover that income. The work group must specifically
2 evaluate the effect of needed changes to electric rates on low-
3 income customers. The work group should evaluate the differences in
4 income and rate effects among: consumer-owned and investor-owned
5 utilities; large and small utilities; and urban, suburban, and rural
6 utilities. Based on this information, the work group must report a
7 range of potential net metering policies and the impact of those
8 policies to each identified type of utility. The work group may
9 identify a preferred net metering policy applicable to all utilities
10 in the state or a set of policies applicable to each type of
11 utility. The work group shall also provide an inventory of other
12 state net metering laws and assess their applicability to the
13 circumstances of different types of utilities in Washington state.

14 (3) This section expires June 30, 2020."

EFFECT: Requires that a net metering system have an electrical
generating capacity of not more than 199 kilowatts and be sized no
greater than the capacity required to meet 100 percent of the
customer-generator's total electricity consumption during the
previous year. Establishes that any unused net metering credit
accumulated during the previous 12 months be granted to the electric
utility on March 31 or April 30 of each calendar year. Requires the
Department of Commerce to convene a net metering work group.

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