

**SHB 1427** - H AMD TO H AMD (H-1604.2/23) **346**

By Representative Goehner

**NOT CONSIDERED 01/02/2024**

1 On page 1, after line 2 of the striking amendment, strike all  
2 material through "title." on page 11, line 9 and insert the following:

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4 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 80.60 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) The department of commerce, in consultation with the  
7 commission, must conduct a study to investigate the magnitude of any  
8 cost shifts among ratepayers associated with retail rate net metering  
9 in Washington state, under scenarios assuming total net metered  
10 generation capacity of six percent, eight percent, and 12 percent of  
11 1996 peak power, and the value of distributed solar resources in  
12 Washington state. This study must consider the value of solar across  
13 utilities of various service territory and customer base sizes,  
14 expected solar insolation, population density and urbanization,  
15 topography, types of vegetation, and other characteristics the  
16 department of commerce or commission deem relevant. The study must be  
17 completed by July 1, 2025.

18 (2) The commission and the department of commerce must summarize  
19 the findings of the cost shift study in a report and must deliver the  
20 report to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December  
21 31, 2025."

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23 Correct the title.  
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EFFECT: Strikes all material within the striking amendment  
except for a requirement for a study to investigate the magnitude of  
cost shifts among ratepayers associated with retail rate net

metering in Washington state. Modifies the cost shift study by removing the requirement that the Department of Commerce and the Utilities and Transportation Commission consult with a work group when conducting the study.

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