

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by: (ET)

## AN ACT CONCERNING TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE ENERGY STATUTES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (k) of section 16-245 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 3 2023):
- 4 (k) Any licensee who fails to comply with a license condition or who
- 5 violates any provision of this section, except for the renewable portfolio
- 6 standards contained in subsection (g) of this section, shall be subject to
- 7 civil penalties by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority in accordance
- 8 with section 16-41, including direction that a portion of the civil penalty
- 9 be paid to a nonprofit agency engaged in energy assistance programs
- 10 named by the authority in its decision or notice of violation, the
- 11 suspension or revocation of such license and a prohibition on accepting
- 12 new customers following a hearing that is conducted as a contested case
- 13 in accordance with chapter 54. Notwithstanding the provisions of
- 14 subsection (b) of section 16-244c regarding an alternative transitional
- 15 standard offer option or an alternative standard service option, the

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authority shall require a payment by a licensee that fails to comply with the renewable portfolio standards in accordance with subdivision (4) of subsection (g) of this section in the amount of: (1) For calendar years up to and including calendar year 2017, five and one-half cents per kilowatt hour, (2) for calendar years commencing on January 1, 2018, and up to and including the calendar year commencing on January 1, 2020, five and one-half cents per kilowatt hour if the licensee fails to comply with the renewable portfolio standards during the subject annual period for Class I renewable energy sources, and two and one-half cents per kilowatt hour if the licensee fails to comply with the renewable portfolio standards during the subject annual period for Class II renewable energy sources, and (3) for calendar years commencing on and after January 1, 2021, four cents per kilowatt hour if the licensee fails to comply with the renewable portfolio standards during the subject annual period for Class I renewable energy sources, and two and onehalf cents per kilowatt hour if the licensee fails to comply with the renewable portfolio standards during the subject annual period for Class II renewable energy sources. On or before December 31, 2013, the authority shall issue a decision, following an uncontested proceeding, on whether any licensee has failed to comply with the renewable portfolio standards for calendar years up to and including 2012, for which a decision has not already been issued. On and after June 5, 2013, the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority shall annually conduct an uncontested proceeding in order to determine whether any licensee has failed to comply with the renewable portfolio standards during the preceding year. Not later than December 31, 2014, and annually thereafter, the authority shall, following such proceeding, issue a decision as to whether the licensee has failed to comply with the renewable portfolio standards during the preceding year. The authority shall allocate such payment to the Clean Energy Fund for the development of Class I renewable energy sources, provided, on and after June 5, 2013, any such payment shall be refunded to ratepayers by using such payment to offset the costs to all customers of electric distribution companies of the costs of contracts and tariffs entered into pursuant to sections 16-244r, 16-244t and [section] 16-244z, except that,

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51 on and after January 1, 2023, any such payment that is attributable to a 52 failure to comply with the Class II renewable portfolio standards shall 53 be deposited in the sustainable materials management account 54 established pursuant to section 16-244bb. Any excess amount remaining 55 from such payment shall be applied to reduce the costs of contracts 56 entered into pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (j) of section 16-57 244c, and if any excess amount remains, such amount shall be applied 58 to reduce costs collected through nonbypassable, federally mandated 59 congestion charges, as defined in section 16-1.

This act shal sections:	l take effect as follo	ws and shall amend the following
Section 1	July 1, 2023	16-245(k)

## Statement of Purpose:

To make technical corrections to statutory provisions concerning energy.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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