

HB0601/343994/1

BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 601
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Tier 1 Eligibility” and substitute “Alterations”; strike beginning with “altering” in line 3 through “language;” in line 6 and substitute “altering the renewable energy portfolio standard for certain years;”; in line 10, after “7-701(a)” insert “, (r), and (s)”; in line 15, strike “7-701(r)” and substitute “7-703(b)(14) and (15)”; and strike in their entirety lines 18 through 22 and substitute:

“BY adding to

Article - Public Utilities

Section 7-703(b)(16)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 17, in each instance, strike the bracket; in line 19, strike “] **OTHER THAN PUMP STORAGE GENERATION**”; in lines 24 and 25, in each instance, strike the bracket; after line 25, insert:

“7-703.

(b) The renewable energy portfolio standard shall be as follows:

(14) in [2019.] **2019:**

(I) 20.4% from Tier 1 renewable sources, including:

[(i)] 1. at least 1.95% derived from solar energy; and

(Over)

[(ii)] 2. an amount set by the Commission under § 7-704.2(a) of this subtitle, not to exceed 2.5%, derived from offshore wind energy; and

(II) 2.5% FROM TIER 2 RENEWABLE SOURCES;

(15) in 2020 [and later,]:

(I) 25% from Tier 1 renewable sources, including:

[(i)] 1. at least 2.5% derived from solar energy; and

[(ii)] 2. an amount set by the Commission under § 7-704.2(a) of this subtitle, not to exceed 2.5%, derived from offshore wind energy; AND

(II) 2.5% FROM TIER 2 RENEWABLE SOURCES; AND

(16) IN 2021 AND LATER, AT LEAST 25% FROM TIER 1 RENEWABLE SOURCES, INCLUDING:

(I) AT LEAST 2.5% DERIVED FROM SOLAR ENERGY; AND

(II) AN AMOUNT SET BY THE COMMISSION UNDER § 7-704.2(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE, NOT TO EXCEED 2.5% DERIVED FROM OFFSHORE WIND ENERGY.”.

On page 3, in lines 2, 15, and 18, in each instance, strike the bracket; in line 16, strike “2018” and substitute “**2020**”; and strike in their entirety lines 19 through 21 and substitute:

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“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply retroactively and shall be applied and interpreted to affect all renewable portfolio standard compliance years that begin on or after January 1, 2019.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2019.”.