

State Corporation Commission 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB710

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: McClellan

3. Committee: Conference Committee Substitute

4. Title: Distributed renewable energy.

5. Summary: Promotes the establishment of distributed renewable solar and other renewable energy. The measure (i) increases to 6 percent the cap on the total amount of renewable energy that can be net metered in a utility's service territory, (ii) expands third-party power purchase agreement pilots to 1,000 MWs for Phase II utility and 40 MWs for Phase I Utility, (iii) allows certain local governments to install solar or wind facilities of up to five megawatts on government-owned property and use the electricity for government-owned buildings, (iv) allows all net metering customers to attribute output from a single solar array to multiple meters, (v) allows multi-family shared solar programs, (vi) increase the restriction on Phase II utility customers installing a net-metered generation facility larger than that required to meet 150% (rather than 100%) of their previous 12 months' demand, (vii) raises the cap for net-metered nonresidential generation facilities from one megawatt to three megawatts and for residential facilities from 20 to 25 kilowatts, and (viii) removes the ability of Phase I utilities to assess standby charges. The measure also amends the Commonwealth Energy Policy to include provisions supporting distributed generation of renewable energy.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact on the State Corporation Commission.

8. Fiscal Implications: No fiscal impact on the State Corporation Commission.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Corporation Commission and localities.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

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