

2024 SESSION

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SENATE BILL NO. 313

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Governor
on April 8, 2024)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator VanValkenburg)

A BILL to direct the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation to convene a work group of relevant stakeholders to develop recommendations for any additional consumer protections regarding the sale, lease, or installation of a solar energy facility with a generating capacity of 25 kilowatts or less.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. § 1. *That the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (the Department) shall convene a work group of relevant stakeholders to develop recommendations for any additional consumer protections regarding the sale, lease, or installation of a solar energy facility with a generating capacity of 25 kilowatts or less. The work group shall include (i) consumer advocates, (ii) representatives of solar industry groups, (iii) environmental and renewable energy advocates, (iv) representatives of incumbent electric utilities, (v) a representative from the Office of the Attorney General, (vi) a representative from the Department of Labor and Industry, (vii) a representative from the State Corporation Commission, and (viii) other stakeholders as deemed necessary by the Department. The Department shall submit a written report of the work group's recommendations to the Chairmen of the House Committees on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources and Labor and Commerce and the Senate Committees on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources and Commerce and Labor by November 30, 2024.*

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