

SENATE BILL 559

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CF HB 418

By: **Senators Hough and Young**

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Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County – Solar Energy – Municipal Electric Utilities**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the percentage of the renewable energy portfolio standard that
4 must be derived from solar energy for a municipal electric utility in Frederick
5 County; and generally relating to the renewable energy portfolio standard.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article – Public Utilities
8 Section 1–101(a) and (r)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Public Utilities
13 Section 7–703(e)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
17 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article – Public Utilities**

19 1–101.

20 (a) In this division the following words have the meanings indicated.

21 (r) “Municipal electric utility” means a municipal corporation, or a division of a
22 municipal corporation, that is in the business of transmitting or distributing electricity for
23 purposes other than end use by the municipal corporation.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 7-703.

2 (e) The required percentage of [an electric cooperative's] **THE** renewable energy
3 portfolio standard derived from solar energy shall be 2.5% in 2020 and later **FOR:**

4 **(1) AN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE; OR**

5 **(2) A MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY IN FREDERICK COUNTY.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
7 1, 2020.