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By Representative Morris

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1 AN ACT Relating to the voluntary purchase of eligible renewable  
2 resources by customers of electric utilities; and adding new sections  
3 to chapter 19.29A RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 19.29A RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) Upon request of an electric customer of an investor-owned  
8 utility, the commission shall create a tariff schedule that allows the  
9 customer to purchase voluntarily eligible renewable resources in five  
10 hundred kilowatt units. A tariff approved by the commission must  
11 ensure that:

12 (a) The costs of procuring and delivering the eligible renewable  
13 resource is paid for by the requesting customer and not passed onto  
14 other customers of the investor-owned utility;

15 (b) The investor-owned utility provides an integrated service that  
16 includes the electricity generated by the dedicated eligible renewable  
17 resource facility, and a supplemental shaping service, if needed;

18 (c) The requesting customer has the authority to designate and  
19 approve the eligible renewable resource they wish to procure;

1 (d) Nonpower attributes associated with the eligible renewable  
2 resource are transferred to the requesting customer bundled with the  
3 power; and

4 (e) Except for the price, cost, or fees associated with  
5 interconnecting the eligible renewable resource to the grid, the price  
6 of procuring and delivering the eligible renewable resource is  
7 transparent and any additional costs or fees, including those required  
8 by federal energy regulatory commission rules, are specified before the  
9 requesting customer enters into an agreement for the eligible renewable  
10 resource.

11 (2) The eligible renewable resources procured under this section  
12 are in addition to the eligible renewable resources requirements under  
13 RCW 19.285.040.

14 (3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this  
15 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

16 (a) "Eligible renewable resource" has the same meaning as defined  
17 in RCW 19.285.030; and

18 (b) "Nonpower attributes" has the same meaning as defined in RCW  
19 19.285.030.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 19.29A RCW  
21 to read as follows:

22 (1) Upon request by an electric customer of a consumer-owned  
23 utility, the governing board of a consumer-owned utility shall create  
24 a tariff schedule or contract that allows the customer to purchase  
25 voluntarily eligible renewable resources in five hundred kilowatt  
26 units. A tariff approved by the governing board must ensure that:

27 (a) The costs of procuring and delivering the eligible renewable  
28 resource is paid for by the requesting customer and not passed onto  
29 other customers of the consumer-owned utility;

30 (b) The consumer-owned utility provides an integrated service that  
31 includes the electricity generated by the dedicated eligible renewable  
32 resource facility, and supplemental shaping services, if needed;

33 (c) The requesting customer has the authority to designate and  
34 approve the eligible renewable resource procured;

35 (d) Nonpower attributes associated with the eligible renewable  
36 resource are transferred to the requesting customer bundled with the  
37 power; and

1 (e) Except for the price, cost, or fees associated with  
2 interconnecting the eligible renewable resource to the grid, the price  
3 of procuring and delivering the eligible renewable resource is  
4 transparent and any additional costs or fees, including those required  
5 by federal energy regulatory commission rules, are specified before the  
6 requesting customer enters into an agreement for the eligible renewable  
7 resource.

8 (2) The eligible renewable resources procured under this section  
9 are in addition to the eligible renewable resources requirements under  
10 RCW 19.285.040.

11 (3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this  
12 section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

13 (a) "Eligible renewable resource" has the same meaning as defined  
14 in RCW 19.285.030; and

15 (b) "Nonpower attributes" has the same meaning as defined in RCW  
16 19.285.030.

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