

**Raymond P. Ward** proposes the following substitute bill:

## **Solar Power Utility Amendments**

## 2026 GENERAL SESSION

## STATE OF UTAH

## **Chief Sponsor: Raymond P. Ward**

**Senate Sponsor:**

## LONG TITLE

### **General Description:**

This bill enacts new provisions related to net metering of electricity.

## **Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- defines terms;
- authorizes the Public Service Commission to establish an optional time-of-use export pricing tariff for net metering customers;
- requires differential pricing for customer-generated electricity based on time of day or all-time market conditions;
- establishes a minimum floor for export credits; and
- provides customer protections including voluntary participation and retention of existing options.

### **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

## Other Special Clauses:

None

## Utah Code Sections Affected:

## ENACTS:

**54-15-109, Utah Code Annotated 1953**

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **54-15-109** is enacted to read:

### **54-15-109 . Optional time-of-use export pricing tariff.**

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Real-time pricing" means pricing for excess customer-generated electricity that

29       reflects the value of customer-generated electricity at the hour it is delivered to the  
30       electrical corporation.

31       (b) "Seasonal time-of-use pricing" means pricing for excess customer-generated  
32       electricity that establishes predetermined export credit rates for defined periods,  
33       generally corresponding to climatic seasons, that reflect the value of  
34       customer-generated electricity for the period.

35       (c) "Time-of-use export pricing tariff" means a tariff approved by the commission that  
36       provides differential pricing for excess customer-generated electricity using either  
37       seasonal time-of-use pricing or real-time pricing.

38       (2) The commission shall require each electrical corporation with a net metering program or  
39       other program to compensate customers for their excess customer-generated electricity  
40       to make available to customers enrolling in or participating in such programs a  
41       time-of-use export pricing tariff.

42       (3) The commission may approve one or more time-of-use export pricing tariffs.

43       (4) Each time-of-use export pricing tariff shall:

44           (a) use one of the following pricing methods:

45              (i) seasonal time-of-use pricing; or

46              (ii) real-time pricing;

47           (b) allow a customer participating in a time-of-use export pricing tariff to determine  
48           when the customer exports excess customer-generated electricity to the electrical  
49           corporation; and

50           (c) provide differential rates for crediting excess customer-generated electricity.

51       (5) A customer participating in a net metering or a net billing program:

52           (a) may elect to participate in a time-of-use export pricing tariff on a voluntary basis;

53           (b) is not required to participate in a time-of-use export pricing tariff; and

54           (c) may change between tariff options in accordance with the terms and conditions  
55           established by the commission.

56       (6) An electrical corporation shall:

57           (a) provide clear written disclosure to a customer before the customer elects to  
58           participate in a time-of-use export pricing tariff that explains:

59              (i) how the time-of-use export pricing tariff differs from alternative tariffs available  
60              to the customer;

61              (ii) the time periods and corresponding credit rates under the time-of-use export  
62              pricing tariff; and

(iii) the customer's ability to return to the customer's previous tariff; and

(b) allow a customer participating in a time-of-use export pricing tariff to return to the customer's previous tariff in accordance with terms and conditions established by the commission.

(7) A time-of-use export pricing tariff:

- (a) shall be compatible with metering equipment approved under Section 54-15-103; and
- (b) may include provisions for coordination with battery storage systems or other energy storage technologies.

(8) The commission shall establish a time-of-use export pricing tariff as required by this section no later than one year after the effective date of this section.

(9) Nothing in this section:

- (a) modifies or impairs the rights of a customer participating in a net metering or net billing program under an existing tariff or rate schedule;
- (b) requires a customer to change from an existing tariff or rate schedule; or
- (c) affects the authority of the commission to determine costs and benefits under Section 54-15-105.1 or to establish charges, credits, or ratemaking structures under this chapter.

## Section 2. Effective Date.

This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.