

PUBLIC UTILITY MODIFICATIONS

2015 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends provisions related to the net metering of electricity.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ modifies the government authority responsible for certain determinations about electricity credits.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

54-15-104, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2014, Chapter 53

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

Section 1. Section **54-15-104** is amended to read:

54-15-104. Charges or credits for net electricity.

(1) Each electrical corporation with a customer participating in a net metering program shall measure net electricity during each monthly billing period, in accordance with normal metering practices.

(2) If net metering does not result in excess customer-generated electricity during the monthly billing period, the electrical corporation shall bill the customer for the net electricity,

30 in accordance with normal billing practices.

31 (3) Subject to Subsection (4), if net metering results in excess customer-generated
32 electricity during the monthly billing period:

33 (a) (i) the electrical corporation shall credit the customer for the excess
34 customer-generated electricity based on the meter reading for the billing period at a value that
35 is at least avoided cost, or as determined by the governing authority; and

36 (ii) all credits that the customer does not use during the annualized billing period
37 expire at the end of the annualized billing period; and

38 (b) as authorized by the governing authority, the electrical corporation may bill the
39 customer for customer charges that otherwise would have accrued during that billing period in
40 the absence of excess customer-generated electricity.

41 (4) At the end of an annualized billing period, an electrical corporation's avoided cost
42 value of remaining unused credits described in Subsection (3)(a) shall be granted:

43 (a) to the electrical corporation's low-income assistance programs as determined by the
44 [~~commission~~] governing authority; or

45 (b) for another use as determined by the [~~commission~~] governing authority.