

SB 79 - AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL **79**

AN ACT relative to the participation of customer generators in net energy metering.

SPONSORS: Sen. Lang, Dist 2

COMMITTEE: Energy and Natural Resources

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill adds a definition and requirements for an industrial host as a customer-generator under the limited electrical energy producers act.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough]~~  
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Three*

AN ACT relative to the participation of customer generators in net energy metering.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1       1 Limited Electrical Energy Producers Act; Definition; Eligible Customer Generator. RSA 362-  
2 A:1-a, II-b is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

3       II-b. "Eligible customer-generator" or "customer-generator" means an electric utility  
4 customer who owns, operates, or purchases power from an electrical generating facility either  
5 powered by renewable energy or which employs a heat led combined heat and power system, except  
6 as provided for a municipal host as defined in paragraph II-c, that is located behind a retail meter on  
7 the customer's premises, and as provided for an industrial host as defined in paragraph II-g,  
8 provided it is interconnected and operates in parallel with the electric grid, and is used to offset the  
9 customer's own electricity requirements. Incremental generation added to an existing generation  
10 facility, that does not itself qualify for net metering, shall qualify if such incremental generation  
11 meets the qualifications of this paragraph and is metered separately from the nonqualifying facility.

12       2 New Paragraph; Definition. Amend RSA 362-A:1-a by inserting after paragraph II-f the  
13 following new paragraph:

14       II-g. "Industrial host" means a customer generator with a total peak generating capacity of  
15 greater than one megawatt and less than 5 megawatts used to offset the electricity requirements of a  
16 group consisting exclusively of one commercial, industrial, or institutional entity with one or more  
17 accounts, provided that all accounts are located within the same utility franchise service territory.  
18 In no instance shall the electrical generating facility exceed 100 percent of the industrial host's  
19 average electric consumption over the past 12 months. An industrial host may be owned by either a  
20 public or private entity.

21       3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.