

Amendment 35: The Department of Energy Resources and Additional Solicitations for Wind.

This amendment was more of a technical change. The language allows the Department of Energy Resources to require additional solicitations to fulfill the statutory requirements of this Act.

Amendment 36: Preserving the ability to Effectively Procure Offshore Wind and Clean Energy Generation.

This amendment was a necessary technical change to terminology that ensures the successful and timely procurement of both offshore wind and clean energy generation resources. It amends the bill by specifying that utilities should procure equal to “approximately” 1200MW nameplate capacity and “approximately” 9,450,000 MWh, so that if we are one MW or MWh over or under the number we aren’t prohibited from moving forward with proposals.

Amendment 48: Ensuring the most Cost-effective Off-Shore Wind Contract for MA Ratepayers.

This amendment amends the offshore wind procurement section to require, in the event a staggered method of solicitation and procurement is used, any subsequent procurement after the first procurement must decrease in levelized costs, ensuring savings to ratepayers as the economy of scale of wind development increases.