

development, may promulgate regulations to implement this section. If regulations are promulgated, said regulations shall be promulgated no later than July 1, 2023.”;

In section 87 by striking out subsection (b) [at “W”] and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

“(b) The department of transportation, in consultation with the department of energy resources and the department of elementary and secondary education, shall prepare a report that analyzes: (i) the number of fossil fuel-powered school buses in use in the commonwealth, delineated by school district; (ii) the number of zero-emission school buses in use in the commonwealth, delineated by school district; (iii) the annual cost of operating fossil fuel-powered school buses including, but not limited to, the cost of purchasing or contracting to use fossil fuel-powered buses and purchasing fossil fuels; (iv) the annual cost of operating zero-emission school buses including, but not limited to, the cost of purchasing or contracting to use zero-emission buses and the cost of purchasing or contracting to use charging stations and related charging infrastructure; (v) the projected cost differential between the sale or contracted use of fossil fuel-powered and zero-emission school buses; (vi) the estimated cost to replace fossil fuel-powered school buses with zero-emission school buses; (vii) the estimated environmental benefits of replacing fossil fuel-powered school buses with zero-emission school buses including, but not limited to, carbon reductions and related health benefits; (viii) the number of school districts that own their school bus fleets and the number of school districts that rent, lease or contract for school bus services; (ix) recommendations on how to structure a state incentive program to replace or support the replacement of all fossil fuel-powered school buses with zero-emission school buses; and (x) additional information relevant to informing a statewide plan to

replace or support the conversion of all school buses from fossil fuel-powered school buses to zero-emission school buses.”;

By inserting after section 87 [at “X”] the following section:-

“SECTION 87A. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, not later than July 1, 2023, any electric distribution company or municipal aggregator with a certified efficiency plan may submit proposed low- and moderate-income whole building efficiency, electrification and greenhouse gas emission reduction offerings to a limited number of participants within the low- and moderate-income customer groups to the department of public utilities for review. The offerings shall: (i) promote the adoption of whole building energy efficiency measures, including weatherization; (ii) require full displacement of fossil fuel heating and cooling equipment and fossil fuel cooking appliances, excluding outdoor grills; and (iii) promote adoption and installation of onsite renewable energy generation and energy storage. A renewable energy facility funded by the offerings made under this section shall be designated as a “qualifying facility” as defined in 220 CMR 8.02. The offerings shall be designed to encourage customers to lower energy consumption, reduce demand, improve customer resiliency and reduce use of the distribution system.

(b) Costs incurred under this section may be recovered through the funding sources authorized in subsection (a) of section 19 of chapter 25 of the General Laws.

(c) Not later than August 1, 2026, the department shall file a report detailing the results of the offerings under this section, including: (i) an analysis of costs, benefits and scalability of the offerings; (ii) an analysis of the burdens to ratepayers of adding solar, storage or other clean energy technologies into the energy efficiency programs; and (iii) recommendations for

legislative changes to any energy efficiency and renewable energy generation incentive programs. The report shall be filed with the clerks of the senate and the house of representatives, the joint committee on telecommunications, utilities and energy and the house and senate committees on ways and means.”;

In section 89 by striking out in subsection (b) the words “July 1, 2023” [at “Y”] and inserting in place thereof the following:- July 1, 2024

In section 90 by striking out subsection (a) [at “Z”] ✓

In section 90 by striking out the words “(b)(1) For the purposes of this subsection” [at “AA”] and inserting in place thereof the following words:- (a) For the purposes of this section

In section 90 by striking out the word “(2)” [at “BB”] and inserting in place thereof the following word:- “(b)”;

In section 94 by striking out the words “Section 26” [at “CC”] and inserting in place thereof the following words:- “Sections 23 to 31, inclusive.”.

Sent to the Senate for its action.

Senate, July 31, 2022.
Rules suspended.
Governor's amendment rejected
House amendment adopted, in concurrence.

Michael D. Hurley, Clerk.

Steven James, Clerk.

EMERGENCY PREAMBLE

Senate Correctly drawn.

Contains an Emergency Preamble

[Signature]

For the Senate Committee on Bills in the Third Reading



EMERGENCY PREAMBLE

(Adopted, House July 21, 2022 (32-0))
(Adopted, Senate July 21, 2022 (9-0))
(HRC #229)

AN ACT DRIVING CLEAN ENERGY AND OFFSHORE WIND.

This Act originated in the House Stewart V. James, Clerk.

House of Representatives, July 21, 2022.

Rightly and Truly Prepared for Final Passage.

Contains an *Emergency Preamble*.

Stewart V. James, House Clerk.

In Senate, July 21, 2022.

Rightly and Truly Prepared for Final Passage.

Contains an *Emergency Preamble*.

Michael D. Dune, Senate Clerk.

Laid before the Governor July 21, 2022.