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Bill Number: H. 3659 Amended by House Labor, Commerce, and Industry on February 14, 2019
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Subject: Electrical Utility Customers
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Fiscal Impact Summary

The expenditure impact is pending, contingent upon further analysis and discussion with the Public Service Commission (PSC) and Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS).

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill establishes certain rights for the customers of an electrical utility. It provides that an electrical utility will make net energy metering available to customer-generators. The bill mandates review and approval proceedings by PSC for electrical utilities and establishes voluntary renewable energy programs to provide for neighborhood community solar program plans. The bill requires a procurement process overseen by an independent evaluator chosen by ORS prior to the construction of a major utility facility. The bill includes any independent power producer that is proposing an alternative to the major utility facility as a party to a certification proceeding. It provides that PSC will promulgate standards for the interconnection of renewable energy facilities and other nonutility-owned generation to an electrical utility's distribution and transmission system. The bill provides certain requirements for interconnection standards and provides for the resolution of disputes.

The expenditure impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon further analysis and discussion with PSC and ORS.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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