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HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2022 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Representative Coussan to Engrossed House Bill No. 655 by Representative Coussan

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "(introductory paragraph)" delete "and (6)"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 10, after "(introductory paragraph)" delete "and (6)"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 3

6 On page 2, line 10, after "regulation of" and before "solar power" delete "solar devices and"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 4

8 On page 2, line 13, change "devices" to "power generation facilities"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 5

10 On page 2, delete lines 22 through 25 in their entirety

11 AMENDMENT NO. 6

12 On page 3, line 11, change "permitee" to "permittee"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 7

14 On page 3, line 14, change "permitee" to "permittee"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 8

16 On page 3, between line 24 and 25, insert the following:

17 "(c) Subparagraphs (a) and (b) of this Paragraph may not apply to solar power
18 generation facilities that provide power to an electric utility provider regulated by the
19 Public Service Commission or the council of the city of New Orleans and meet all
20 of the following circumstances:

21 (i) The facility holds a corporate guarantee from the regulated electric utility
22 provider in a form acceptable to the secretary and sufficient to pay the cost of the
23 decommissioning plan provided for in Subparagraph (D)(2) of this Section.

24 (ii) A sale or transfer of the facility does not terminate the provision of power
25 to the regulated electric facility.

26 (iii) The contract between the facility and the regulated utility provides for
27 site decommissioning at the end of the facility's life or at the conclusion, termination,
28 or default of the contract with the regulated utility, whichever occurs first.

29 (iv) The Public Service Commission promulgates rules and regulations
30 providing for decommissioning requirements for solar power generation facilities.

1 (d) If a solar power generation facility is sold or otherwise transferred, the
2 secretary shall not release the bond or other financial security of the seller or
3 transferor until the buyer or transferee provides a bond or other acceptable financial
4 security in accordance with the provisions of this Section."

5 AMENDMENT NO. 9

6 On page 4, line 11, change "fifty" to "fifteen"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 10

8 On page 4, line 13, after "dollars" insert "for the entire project"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 11

10 On page 4, line 15, change "fifty" to "fifteen"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 12

12 On page 5, at the end of line 3, insert "However, the requirement to obtain financial security
13 shall not apply to facilities exempt from obtaining a bond or other acceptable financial
14 security pursuant to Subparagraph (A)(9)(c) of this Section and in construction or operation
15 on or before August 1, 2022."

16 AMENDMENT NO. 13

17 On page 5, after line 19, insert:

18 "Section 2. The Department of Natural Resources shall reimburse the state
19 general fund by June 30, 2026, for any appropriation to the department for the
20 administration and regulation of solar power generating facilities for Fiscal Years
21 2022-2023 or 2023-2024 from any revenues received from fees collected pursuant
22 to the Act."