

**FINAL****NO FISCAL IMPACT**

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Sen. Shaffer**Bill Status:** Signed into Law**Fiscal Analyst:** Marc Carey (303-866-4102)

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**TITLE:** CONCERNING NET METERING FOR CUSTOMER-GENERATORS OF COOPERATIVE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATIONS.**Summary of Assessment**

This bill repeals and reenacts a statute related to net-metering for customer-generators of cooperative electric associations (CEAs). Specifically, the bill requires CEAs and customer generators to comply with the interconnection standards and insurance requirements established in the rules promulgated by the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to implement the Amendment 37 renewable energy standard. The bill also specifies a CEA may not from prevent or otherwise unreasonable burden the installation of a customer generator system as long as the system includes protective equipment to prevent the export of customer-generated electricity.

Under current law, customer-generator's are required to, at their own expense, provide switching equipment capable of isolating the net metering system from the CEA's grid. In addition, the customer-generator is required to indemnify the CEA for any and all damages to the CEA system resulting from the installation of the net-metering system. This bill eliminates these provisions. The bill was signed into law by the Governor and became law on May 23, 2007.

This bill modifies statutes related to safety and performance requirements for customer-generators on CEA electric grids. The bill does not affect the workload of any state agency or local government, and will not impact utility rates on CEA systems. Thus, this bill does not affect state or local revenues or expenditures, and is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

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