

**STATE
FISCAL IMPACT**

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Prime Sponsor(s): Rep. Duran

Bill Status: House Transportation and Energy

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TITLE: CONCERNING INCENTIVES FOR DISTRIBUTED RENEWABLE ENERGY FOR MUNICIPALLY OWNED UTILITIES AND COOPERATIVE ELECTRIC ASSOCIATIONS.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	See State Expenditures section	
FTE Position Change		
Effective Date: Upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.		
Appropriation Summary for FY 2013-2014: None required.		
Local Government Impact: None.		

Summary of Legislation

Current law requires cooperative electric associations (CEAs) and municipally owned utilities (MOUs) to generate 6 percent of their electricity sales from renewable sources annually from 2015 through 2019 and 10 percent thereafter. This bill requires CEAs and MOUs to derive a minimum of 0.5 percent of their electricity sales from retail distributed generation (RDG) from 2015 through 2019 and 1 percent thereafter. RDG is an on-site renewable energy resource, interconnected to the grid that covers the customer's electricity load. CEAs and MOUs must also establish standard offers to purchase renewable energy credits from wind generation. The bill also increases maximum customer generation capacity limits for CEAs and MOUs to enable net-metering for up to 25 kilowatts of residential customer-generated electricity and up to 75 kilowatts of industrial or commercial customer-generated electricity.

State Expenditures

Department of Regulatory Agencies. This bill requires the Colorado Public Utilities Commission to amend existing rules related to the state's renewable portfolio standard. The required rule-making would be relatively simple and may be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Departments Contacted

Regulatory Agencies