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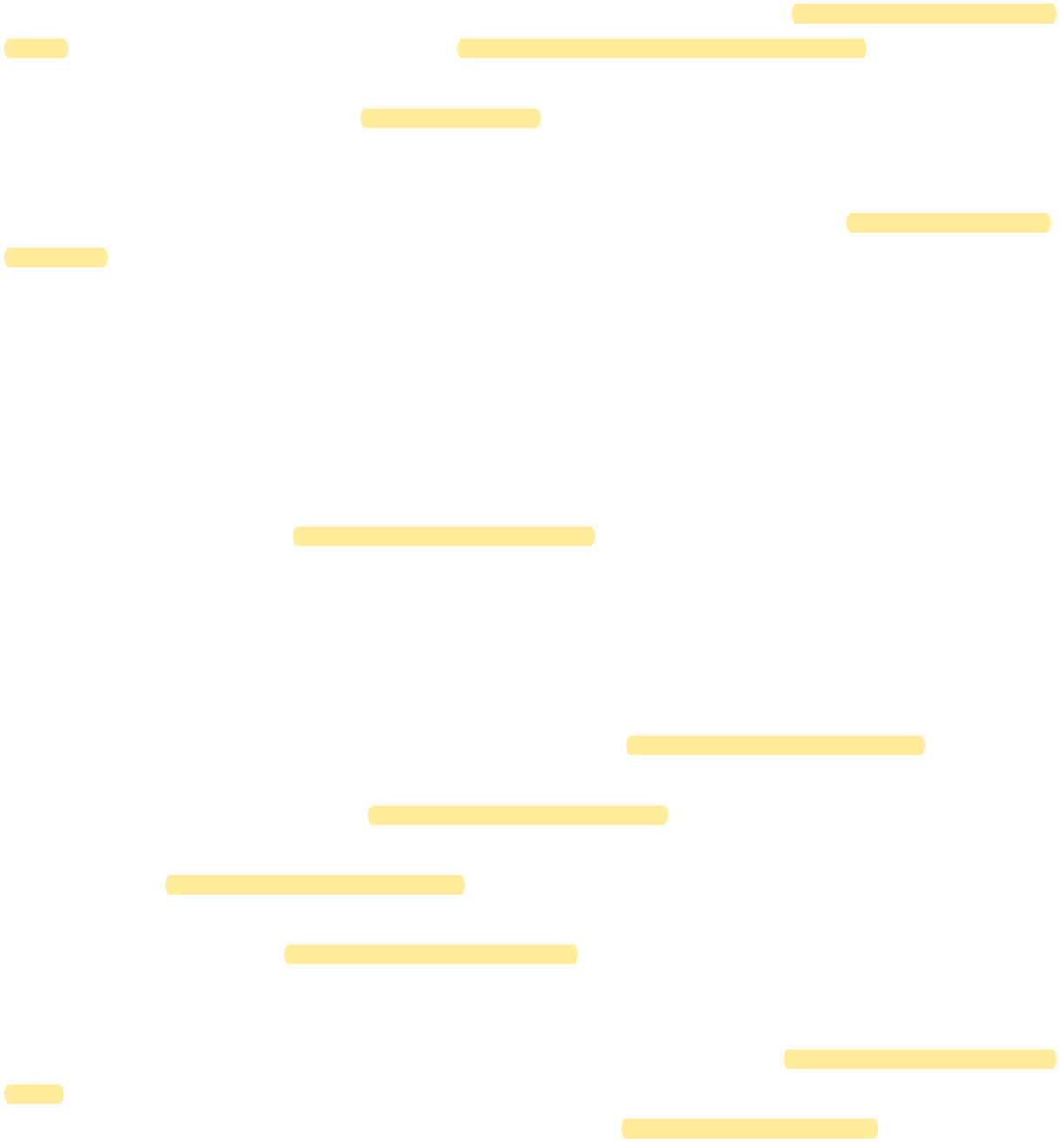


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I absolutely oppose House Bill 3221. Readers please OPEN COMMENTS to read evidence for not Enacting this Legislation

1 (b) Competitive solicitation processes and any other required processes or rules for the
2 acquisition of renewable energy resources to meet the energy requirements set forth in an
3 application filed by one or more participating communities under section 3 of this 2021 Act,
4 including:

5 (A) Processes and requirements for solicitation of renewable energy projects; and

6 (B) Processes necessary to enable new, long-term electricity sales contracts with exist-
7 ing, small renewable energy resources or large renewable energy resources to fulfill the en-
8 ergy requirements set forth in the application.

9 (c) A process for determining electricity rates for participating customers under an **ORO**
10 **Community Program** that:

11 (A) Results in negligible shifting of costs or benefits to other customers of the qualified
12 utility;

13 (B) Includes an assessment of the costs related to all aspects of administering the **ORO**
14 **Community Program** for the commission, the qualified utility and the Public Purpose Fund
15 Administrator and an assessment of how the costs may be recovered for those entities as
16 part of the rate structure;

17 (C) Considers and addresses the needs of energy-burdened customers;

18 (D) Includes any required processes for cost recovery by a qualified utility for the ac-
19 quisition of new renewable energy resources under the **ORO Community Program**; and

20 (E) Includes processes for qualified utilities to make rate adjustment filings as necessary.

21 (d) Notice and comment processes for **ORO Community Program** applications and pro-
22 posals under section 3 of this 2021 Act.

23 (e) Timelines applicable to the application, proposal and approval processes under section
24 3 of this 2021 Act.

25 (f) A process for identifying and hiring an **independent evaluator** as required under sec-
26 tion 3 (5) of this 2021 Act.

27 (g) A process for review and approval of **ORO Community Programs** under section 3 (2)
28 of this 2021 Act.

29 (h) Terms and conditions of agreements necessary for implementation of an **ORO Com-**
30 **munity Program.**

31 (i) Any other requirements determined by the commission to be necessary to protect the
32 public interest and to implement sections 2 to 6 of this 2021 Act.

33 (3) Rulemaking by the commission under this section shall be conducted pursuant to an
34 open public process that ensures meaningful participation by local governments, local service
35 districts and tribal governments.

36 **SECTION 7.** (1) Sections 2 to 6 of this 2021 Act become operative on January 1, 2023.

37 (2) The **Public Utility Commission** may adopt rules, issue orders or take any actions be-
38 fore the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that are necessary to enable
39 the commission, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section,
40 to carry out the provisions of sections 2 to 6 of this 2021 Act.

41 **SECTION 8.** This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021
42 regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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