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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RATES, TERMS, AND
9 CONDITIONS FOR NET-METERING CONTRACTS ESTABLISHED BY
10 A COMMISSION UNDER THE ARKANSAS RENEWABLE ENERGY
11 DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2001; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RATES, TERMS,
16 AND CONDITIONS FOR NET-METERING CONTRACTS
17 ESTABLISHED BY A COMMISSION UNDER THE
18 ARKANSAS RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT ACT
19 OF 2001.
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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24 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 23-18-603(5), concerning the definition of*
25 *"net-metering customer" under the Arkansas Renewable Energy Development Act*
26 *of 2001, is amended to read as follows:*

27 *(5) "Net-metering customer" means:*

28 *(A) an An owner of a net-metering facility;*

29 *(B) A county as defined in § 14-14-102 or an*
30 *instrumentality of such a county that installs a net-metering facility under*
31 *a lease or a comparable service agreement; or*

32 *(C) A municipal government as described under § 14-37-101*
33 *et seq. or an instrumentality of such a municipal government that installs a*
34 *net-metering facility under a lease or comparable service agreement;*
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36 *SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 23-18-604(b)(1), concerning the rates,*



1 terms, and conditions for net-metering contracts that are established by
2 commission, is amended to read as follows:

3 (1) Shall establish appropriate rates, terms, and conditions for
4 net-metering contracts, including:

5 (A)(i)(a) A requirement that the rates charged to each
6 net-metering customer recover the electric utility's entire cost of providing
7 service to each net-metering customer within each of the electric utility's
8 class of customers.

9 (b) If a net-metering customer enters into a
10 net-metering contract with an electric utility before the effective date of
11 new rates, terms, and conditions for net-metering contracts established by a
12 commission, then the new rates, terms, and conditions for net-metering
13 contracts shall not apply to the net-metering customer.

14 (c) A net-metering customer that is exempt
15 from new rates, terms, and conditions for net-metering contracts under
16 subdivision (b)(1)(A)(i)(b) of this section is subject to the rates, terms,
17 and conditions for net-metering contracts that existed before the effective
18 date of the new rates, terms, and conditions for net-metering contracts
19 established by a commission.

20 (ii) The electric utility's entire cost of providing
21 service to each net-metering customer within each of the electric utility's
22 class of customers under subdivision (b)(1)(A)(i) of this section:

23 (a) Includes without limitation any
24 quantifiable additional cost associated with the net-metering customer's use
25 of the electric utility's capacity, distribution system, or transmission
26 system and any effect on the electric utility's reliability; and

27 (b) Is net of any quantifiable benefits
28 associated with the interconnection with and providing service to the net-
29 metering customer, including without limitation benefits to the electric
30 utility's capacity, reliability, distribution system, or transmission system;
31 and

32 (B) A requirement that net-metering equipment be installed
33 to accurately measure the electricity:

34 (i) Supplied by the electric utility to each net-
35 metering customer; and

36 (ii) Generated by each net-metering customer that is

1 fed back to the electric utility over the applicable billing period;

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