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Amendment to SB 391

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

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1 Department of Energy; Draft Rules; Distributed Energy Resources. In order to set cost effective, timely, and predictable processes for customer generators wishing to interconnect to the state's electric grid, within 60 days of the effective date of this section, the department of energy shall open a proceeding to examine and assess draft rules to be adopted for the purposes of setting uniform procedures for distributed energy resources that are proposed for interconnection to the electrical infrastructure of New Hampshire's investor-owned utilities and are not subject to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission jurisdiction. The department shall provide the chairpersons of the house science, technology and energy committee and the senate energy and natural resources committee with status updates regarding the proceeding every 6 months after opening the proceeding until rules are adopted by the department. The draft rules shall include detailed applicability and eligibility requirements and provisions related to engineering standards, review processes, timelines, cost responsibilities, information sharing and transparency, and dispute resolution that are aligned with national best practices, including the Interstate Renewable Energy Council's 2023 model interconnection procedures. The draft rules shall utilize the comments the department of energy received as part of its investigatory proceeding in IP 2022-01 and shall be submitted to the joint legislative committee on administrative rules within 15 months of the effective date of this section. The Chapter Puc 900 shall remain in effect in its entirety until any rules adopted pursuant to this section become effective. Any new employee positions required to implement this chapter shall be approved by the fiscal committee of the general court.