

2021 Renewable Energy Bills Introduced

Expansion of the Renewable Energy Standard (RES) to 100% Renewables by 2030

- The RES is currently 38.5% renewables by 2035.

Extension of the Renewable Energy Fund (REF) and Least Cost Procurement (Energy Efficiency) Programs

- Extends the REF and Energy Efficiency programs into the 2030s. The two programs are scheduled to expire in 2022 and 2023.

Expansion of the Community Solar Program

- Expands the program with an additional 60 megawatts of new capacity and requires a certain percentage of the capacity be allocated to disturbed type areas and subscribing systems with Low- & Moderate-Income customers.

Modifications to the Virtual Net Metering Program

- Amends the locations for eligible 10+ megawatt multiple projects to disturbed areas, such as brownfields, landfills, and gravel pits.

Bill Links

Expansion of RES to 100% Renewables by 2030

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Extension of the REF and Energy Efficiency Programs

[H6144.pdf \(state.ri.us\)](#)

[S0634.pdf \(state.ri.us\)](#)

Expansion of the Community Solar Program

[S0472.pdf \(state.ri.us\)](#)

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Modifications to the Virtual Net Metering Program

[H6169.pdf \(state.ri.us\)](#)

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