

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 421



Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by: SEN. ANWAR, 3rd Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMPOSITION OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That chapter 277 of the general statutes be amended to (1) require that 2 the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority be composed of not fewer than 3 five utility commissioners, not fewer than one of whom shall have 4 personal experience with a disability and not fewer than one of whom 5 shall be an individual with an annual income below the state median 6 income level immediately prior to appointment, and (2) to prohibit a 7 current or former employee of a public utility company in the state or 8 any person who engaged in lobbying, as defined in section 1-91 of the 9 general statutes, on behalf of a public utility company in the state, from 10 serving as a utility commissioner for the Public Utilities Regulatory 11 Authority.

Statement of Purpose:

To (1) require that the Public Utility Regulatory Authority be composed of not fewer than five members, one of whom has personal experience with a disability and one of whom with an annual income less than the state median income, and (2) to prohibit current or former employees of, or current or former lobbyists for, any public utility company in the state from serving on the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority.