



General Assembly

February Session, 2026

Raised Bill No. 246

LCO No. 1599



Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by:
(ET)

**AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY OF NATURAL GAS RATES FOR
COMMERCIAL AND AGRICULTURAL CUSTOMERS.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective October 1, 2026*) The Commissioner of Energy and
2 Environmental Protection shall conduct a study of natural gas rates,
3 including, but not limited to, any applicable demand charges, for
4 commercial and agricultural natural gas customers who have
5 intermittent peak monthly demand to determine if a significant number
6 of such customers are charged rates that do not fairly reflect such
7 customers' use due to such demand charges. If the commissioner
8 determines that such demand charges have the effect of unfairly
9 increasing rates for such customers, the commissioner shall provide
10 detailed recommendations concerning how such charges may be
11 recalculated or otherwise applied to such customers. Not later than
12 January 15, 2027, the commissioner shall submit a report, in accordance
13 with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, that contains
14 such recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General
15 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to energy and
16 technology.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2026</i>	New section
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ET *Joint Favorable*