



Senate Bill No. 246

Special Act No. 26-4

**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:

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

Governor's Action:
Approved May 11, 2026