

Virginia (February, 2018 Update)								
Topic	H. Bill	S. Bill	Title	Description	House Sponsor(s)	Senate Sponsor(s)	CEEP Position	Status / Hearings (Green - Passed, Yellow - Continued to 2019, Red - Failed)
Carbon Emissions	HB 1270		Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative; prohibition on participation by Commonwealth	Prohibits the Governor or any state agency from adopting any regulation establishing a carbon dioxide cap-and-trade program or bringing about the participation by the Commonwealth in a regional market for the trading of carbon dioxide allowances. The bill provides that the Commonwealth shall be allowed to participate in such a cap-and-trade program if the House of Delegates and the Senate of Virginia each adopt a resolution that specifically references and approves the regulatory text proposed for adoption by a state agency.	Del. Charles Poindexter			Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-30 - Reported from Commerce and Labor (12-Y 10-N) Engrossed on February 6 2018 Action: 2018-02-07 VOTE: PASSAGE (51-Y 47-N) Action: 2018-02-08 - Referred to Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor
Carbon Emissions	HB 1273	SB 696	Va. Alternative Energy & Coastal Protection Act; regulations to establish carbon dioxide cap, etc.	Directs the State Air Pollution Control Board to adopt regulations establishing a carbon dioxide cap and trade program to reduce emissions released by electric generation facilities. The regulations are required to comply with the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative model rule. The measure authorizes the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality to establish, implement, and manage an auction program to sell allowances into a market-based trading program. The measure requires revenues from the sale of carbon allowances, to the extent permitted by Article X, Section 7 of the Constitution of Virginia, to be deposited in an interest-bearing account and to be distributed without further appropriation (i) to the Virginia Shoreline Resiliency Fund, (ii) to the VirginiaSAVES program, (iii) for certain programs in Southwest Virginia, and (iv) for administrative expenses.	Del. David Bulova & Del. Gordon Hesel	Sen. Lynwood Lewis		Introduced to House on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (4-Y 6-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor Introduced to Senate on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-25 - Passed by indefinitely in Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources (8-Y 7-N)
Carbon Emissions	HB 1365		Va. Alternative Energy and Coastal Protection Act; establishing funding source to affected locality	Authorizes the State Air Pollution Control Board to conduct an auction of allowances of CO2 emissions or authorize the Department of Environmental Quality to operate such auction. The bill establishes the Commonwealth Resilience Fund to receive funds from the auction and directs the funds to certain programs. Beginning in January 2021, the Department is required to file an annual report on the auction.	Del. Dawn Adams			Introduced on January 11 2018 Action: 2018-01-11 - Referred to Committee on Rules Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Rules
Carbon Emissions	HB 1344		Va. Alternative Energy and Coastal Protection Act; establishing funding source to affected locality	Authorizes the State Air Pollution Control Board to conduct an auction of allowances of CO2 emissions or authorize the Department of Environmental Quality to operate such auction. The bill establishes the Commonwealth Resilience Fund to receive funds from the auction and directs the funds to certain programs. Beginning in January 2021, the Department is required to file an annual report on the auction.	Del. Cheryl Turpin & Del. Dawn Adams			Introduced on January 11 2018 Action: 2018-01-11 - Referred to Committee on Rules Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Rules
Electric Vehicles	HB 922	SB 908	Electric vehicle charging stations; local and public operation	Authorizes any locality or public institution of higher education, or the Department of Conservation and Recreation, to locate and operate a retail fee-based electric vehicle charging station on property such entity owns or leases. The bill requires that the use of a retail fee-based electric vehicle charging station on property owned or leased by a locality be restricted to employees of the locality and authorized visitors and that such station be accompanied by appropriate signage that provides reasonable notice of such restriction. The bill exempts such a locality, public institution of higher education, or the Department of Conservation and Recreation from being considered a public utility solely because of the sale of electric vehicle charging service or the ownership or operation of an electric vehicle charging station and further exempts such service from constituting the retail sale of electricity.	Del. David Bulova	Sen. Jennifer McClellan		Introduced to House on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #1 Action: 2018-02-06 Reported from General Laws with amendments (22-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-09 - Engrossed by House as amended HB922E 2018-02-12 House VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (100-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Referred to Senate Committee on Transportation Introduced to Senate on January 19 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 Reported from Commerce and Labor with amendments (14-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-08 Engrossed by Senate as amended SB908E Action: 2018-02-09 - Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-14 - Referred to House Committee on General Laws
Electric Vehicles	HB 469		Electric vehicle; establishes tax credit on purchase or lease price	Electric vehicle tax credit. Establishes for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, a tax credit in the amount of 10 percent of the purchase or lease price of an electric vehicle. The bill defines "electric vehicle" and provides that the credit is nonrefundable, may be carried forward for three years, and shall not exceed \$3,500 per taxpayer. The bill requires the Department of Taxation to cease issuing tax credits for electric vehicles when 20 percent of vehicles registered in Virginia are electric or in taxable year 2023, whichever is sooner.	Del. David Reid			Introduced on January 7 2018 Action: 2018-01-07 - Referred to Committee on Finance Action: 2018-02-01 Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-02 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (5-Y 3-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Finance
Electric Vehicles	HJR 74		Study; Department of Labor and Industry; effect of the switch to electric vehicles; report	Requests that the Department of Labor and Industry (i) identify the ways in which the market shift from vehicles using internal combustion engines to electric vehicles will affect automotive mechanics and businesses in the Commonwealth's automotive maintenance and repair industry; (ii) determine the amount by which the demand for automotive repair and maintenance will be reduced as a result of the switch to electric vehicles; (iii) identify and analyze the need and opportunities for automotive mechanics to develop their mechanical knowledge of electric vehicles and the experience necessary to service and repair such vehicles; (iv) assess the manners in which businesses will need to adapt their business models to accommodate the consumer shift to electric vehicles; and (v) make recommendations for measures that may be taken to assist automotive mechanics and businesses in the Commonwealth's automotive maintenance and repair industry to adapt to and succeed in the marketplace of electric vehicles.	Del. David Reid			Introduced on January 8 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Assigned Rules sub: Subcommittee #1 Action: 2018-02-01 - Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (3-Y 4-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Rules

Energy and Environmental Policy	HB 946	Virginia Commission on Energy and Environment	Establishes the Virginia Commission on Energy and Environment as a legislative commission to review and recommend steps to implement the Virginia Energy Plan. The Commission is charged, among other things, with the power and duty to (i) undertake studies and gather information and data; (ii) make recommendations as may be necessary to accomplish its purposes as set forth in the legislation; (iii) make special studies of and reports on measures to secure Virginia's energy future; (iv) establish advisory committees composed of persons with special expertise not represented by individuals serving on the Commission; (v) seek, accept, and expend gifts, grants, or donations to enable the Commission to carry out its objectives; (vi) review and make recommendations on legislation affecting energy policy to the General Assembly; and (vii) report annually on its activities during the preceding year to the Governor and the General Assembly.	Del. Alfonso Lopez	Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Assigned Rules sub: Subcommittee #1 Action: 2018-02-01 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (4-Y 3-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Rules
Energy and Environmental Policy	HB 1082	Environmental regulations; no stricter than federal law	Prohibits the Department of Environmental Quality, the State Air Pollution Control Board, the State Water Control Board, and the Virginia Waste Management Board from adopting any environmental rule, regulation, or standard that is inconsistent with or exceeds the requirements of any relevant and duly adopted federal environmental statute, regulation, standard, criterion, or guidance document.	Del. David Yancey	Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources Action: 2018-02-02 - Assigned ACNR sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources
Energy and Environmental Policy	HB 549	State agency; legislation requiring an agency to adopt regulations that are likely to have a significant adverse economic impact	Provides that no bill that directly or indirectly requires a state agency to adopt new or to amend existing regulations that are likely to have a significant adverse economic impact shall be considered by the General Assembly unless the bill contains a second or final enactment clause (i) directing the state agency to develop proposed regulatory requirements by December 1 of the year in which the bill is introduced and (ii) providing that the first enactment of the bill that would directly or indirectly require the state agency to adopt new or to amend existing regulations shall not become effective unless reenacted by the following year's session of the General Assembly. The bill requires the General Assembly to thereafter reconsider the bill during the following year's session of the General Assembly along with and in light of the proposed regulatory requirements developed and put forth by the state agency. The bill defines "significant adverse economic impact" to mean that the estimated cost to citizens, professions, trades, or occupations to comply with the regulations is in excess of \$500. The bill provides that determination of whether regulations are likely to have a significant adverse economic impact shall be made by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission.	Del. Nicholas Freitas	Introduced on January 8 2018 Action: 2018-01-08 - Referred to Committee on Rules Hearing: Jan 26 in House Committee Room Action: 2018-01-26 - Passed by indefinitely in Rules (16-Y 0-N)
Energy Efficiency	HB 963	Electric and natural gas utilities; energy efficiency goals	Requires investor-owned electric utilities, cooperative electric utilities, and investor-owned natural gas distribution utilities to meet incremental annual energy efficiency goals. Electric utilities are required to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to achieve the goal of two percent savings by 2033 and thereafter, with interim goals that start at 0.25 percent for 2019-2020 and increase in biennial increments of 0.25 percent until 2033. Gas utilities are required to achieve the goal of one percent savings by 2033 and thereafter, with interim goals that start at 0.125 percent for 2019-2020 and increase in biennial increments of 0.125 percent until 2033. The utilities are required to...	Del. Richard Sullivan	Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Hearing: Jan 30 in House Committee Room Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 4-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Energy Efficiency	HB 204	Energy benchmarking; access to data on energy usage in covered buildings	Authorizes a locality to adopt an ordinance requiring utilities, upon request by the owner of a building with a gross floor area of not less than 50,000 square feet (covered building), to provide its owner with combined measured energy usage data for multiple utility accounts of customers receiving service in the covered building. Such benchmarking is mandatory for a covered building with three or more active utility accounts in which no single utility account is greater than or equal to 85 percent of the aggregated energy usage, and it is optional for other covered buildings. The measure provides that the building owner shall only provide aggregated data that is provided to it to the Energy Star Portfolio Manager subject to guidelines established by the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (DMME). Violations of the ordinance are punishable by a fine of not more than \$250. The measure requires DMME to develop uniform guidelines for benchmarking by December 1, 2018.	Del. Richard Sullivan	Introduced on December 28 2017 Action: 2018-01-16 - Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #1 Action: 2018-01-24 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 2-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Counties, Cities and Towns
Energy Efficiency	HB 964	Electric utilities; energy efficiency programs	Removes the Ratepayer Impact Measure Test from the list of tests that the State Corporation Commission (SCC) is required to consider when determining that an energy efficiency program proposed by an electric utility is in the public interest. The measure provides that the SCC shall consider if the net present value of a program's benefits exceeds the net present value of its costs as determined under the Total Resource Cost Test, the Utility Cost Test, and the Participant Test.	Del. Richard Sullivan	Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-09 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 4-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Energy Efficiency	HB 965	Energy efficiency programs; definition of benefit-cost ratio and total resource cost test	Defines the Total Resource Cost Test as a test to determine if the benefit-cost ratio of a proposed energy efficiency program or measure is greater than one. The measure defines "benefit-cost ratio" as the ratio of the net present value of the total benefits of a program or measure, including savings and non-energy benefits, to the net present value of the total incremental costs of implementing that program or measure as calculated over the lifetime of the measures implemented thereunder. An energy efficiency program or measure that meets the Total Resource Cost Test is declared to be in the public interest. The measure provides that an energy efficiency program or measure that fails the Total Resource Cost Test shall be reviewed by the State Corporation Commission (SCC) under other tests for approving energy efficiency. The Total Resource Cost Test is one of the four tests used by the SCC in assessing electricity and natural gas utility energy efficiency programs.	Del. Richard Sullivan	Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-09 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (4-Y 6-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor

Energy Efficiency	HB 58		State agencies; use of light-emitting diodes (LEDs) on outdoor lighting fixtures	Requires any state agency that installs, replaces, or maintains an outdoor lighting fixture to use LEDs instead of traditional incandescent light bulbs when installing new outdoor lighting fixtures or replacing nonfunctioning bulbs on existing outdoor lighting fixtures unless the appropriate agency authority determines it is not cost efficient to do so. The bill creates an exception to these requirements for the installation or replacement of light bulbs on state-owned property that is listed individually on the Virginia Landmarks Register or is certified by the Director of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources as contributing to the historic significance of a historic district that is listed on the Virginia Landmarks Register. The bill also provides for the Department of General Services to include the requirement for the use of LEDs in the agency's purchasing regulations. Contracts entered into by the Department of Transportation on and after July 1, 2019, are subject to the requirement.	Del. John Bell & Del. Kaye Kory		Introduced on December 4 2017 Action: 2018-01-19 - Assigned GL sub: Subcommittee #2 Action: 2018-01-25 - Subcommittee recommends referring to Committee on Appropriations Action: 2018-01-30 - Referred to Committee on Appropriations Action: 2018-02-01 Assigned App. sub: General Government & Capital Outlay Action: 2018-02-07 - Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (6-Y 2-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Appropriations
Energy Efficiency	HB 560	SB 894	Virginia Energy Efficiency Revolving Fund; created	Creates the Virginia Energy Efficiency Revolving Fund to provide no-interest loans to any locality, school division, or public institution of higher education for energy conservation or efficiency projects, funded by 40 percent of the annual revenue over \$325 million of certain state recordation taxes and other funds given to the Fund.	Del. Richard Sullivan	Sen. Frank Wagner	Introduced to House on January 8 2018 Action: 2018-01-08 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-06 - Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (4-Y 5-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor Introduced to Senate on January 19 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Referred to Committee on Finance Action: 2018-01-31 - Reported from Finance with substitute (13-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-08 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor
Energy Storage	HB 782		Electric utilities; battery deployment pilot programs	Requires the State Corporation Commission to conduct pilot programs under which Dominion Energy and Appalachian Power are required to submit proposals to deploy batteries. A utility may recover reasonable and prudent costs through its base rates. The pilot programs will have a duration of five years.	Del. Gregory Habeeb		Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-09 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1558-Kilgore) by voice vote Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Energy Storage	HB 1018		Energy storage system tax credit	Establishes for taxable years 2018 through 2022 an income tax credit for a taxpayer's expenditures on an energy storage system. The bill defines energy storage system and provides that the credit shall not exceed the lesser of (i) \$5,000 for a system on residential property or \$75,000 for a system on commercial property, (ii) 30 percent of the system's total installed cost, or (iii) the taxpayer's tax liability. The bill directs the Department of Mines, Minerals, and Energy (the Department) to establish a process whereby taxpayers apply for certification that their expenditures are eligible for the credit. The bill limits the Department to issuing no more than \$750,000 of tax credits, in aggregate, during a taxable year and directs the Department to approve credits in the order received. The bill prohibits taxpayers from carrying forward unused credit to later taxable years.	Del. David Toscano		Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-09 - Referred to Committee on Finance Action: 2018-01-25 - Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-07 Reported from Finance with amendments (21-Y 1-N) Action: 2018-02-07 - Referred to Committee on Appropriations Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Appropriations
Energy Storage	HJR 101		Study; Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy; use of energy storage devices; report	Requests the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy to conduct a two-year study to determine what regulatory reforms and market incentives are necessary to increase the use of energy storage devices in the Commonwealth.	Del. David Toscano		Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Assigned Rules sub: Subcommittee #1 Action: 2018-02-06 - Reported from Rules with substitute (17-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-06 - Assigned App. sub: Commerce, Agriculture, Natural Resources & Technology Action: 2018-02-07 - Subcommittee recommends reporting (8-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-09 - Reported from Appropriations (22-Y 0-N) Engrossed by House 2018-02-12 - committee substitute HJ101H1 Action: 2018-02-12 - VOTE: BLOCK VOTE ADOPTION #2 (98-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Referred to Senate Committee on Rules
Environmental Education		SB 401	Department of Environmental Quality; Department of Education; grade six science curriculum	Directs the Department of Environmental Quality and the Department of Education to update the "Window into a Green Virginia" curriculum developed by the Departments for sixth grade science to include a unit on the benefits, including the energy benefits, of recycling and reuse.		Sen. Lynwood Lewis	Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018/01/09 - Referred to Committee on Rules Action: 2018-02-08 - Rereferred to Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources Action: 2018-02-09 - Reported from Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources (9-Y 2-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Passed Senate (38-Y 2-N)
Green Economy	HB 1372	SB 573	Green job creation tax credit; extends sunset provision	Extends through taxable year 2019 the sunset date for the green job creation tax credit. Under current law, the credit expires for taxable years beginning on January 1, 2018.	Del. Alfonso Lopez	Sen. Emmett Hanger	Introduced to House on January 12 2018 Action: 2018-01-12 - Referred to Committee on Finance Action: 2018-01-29 - Reported from Finance (21-Y 1-N) Engrossed on February 1 2018 Action: 2018-02-09 - VOTE: PASSAGE (79-Y 19-N 1-A) Action: 2018-02-12 - Referred to Senate Committee on Finance Introduced to Senate on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-09 - Referred to Committee on Finance Action: 2018-02-05 Read third time and passed Senate (37-Y 3-N) Action: 2018-02-08 - Referred to House Committee on Finance

Net Metering	SB 311	Community solar gardens	Requires the State Corporation Commission to establish standards for the operation of community solar gardens. A community solar garden is defined in the bill as a solar energy system that (i) has a nameplate capacity of not more than 20 megawatts, (ii) is owned or operated by a subscriber organization, and (iii) generates electricity for subscribers of the community solar garden. The regulations are required, among other things, to (a) establish goals for the generation of electricity by community solar gardens; (b) establish eligibility requirements for subscriber organizations, including a requirement that a subscriber organization have at least 10 subscribers; (c) prohibit a subscriber organization from allowing a subscriber to have a subscription that exceeds 40 percent of a proportional interest in a community solar garden owned or operated by the subscriber organization; (d) prohibit a subscriber organization from allowing subscriptions to a community solar garden that are more than 25 kilowatts to account for more than 40 percent of the total generating capacity of the community solar garden; and (e) require that at least 10 percent of the total generating capacity of community solar gardens be available for use by low-income residential customers or by persons providing services that benefit low-income customers. A subscriber is entitled to a credit on the subscriber's monthly utility bill for the proportional output of the community solar garden attributable to that subscriber for the preceding month; the credit is required to be provided for 25 years. The measure requires utilities to purchase unsubscribed electricity generated by a community solar garden within the service area of the utility.	Sen. John Edwards	Introduced on January 8 2018 Action: 2018-01-08 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Continued to 2019 in Commerce and Labor (11-Y 0-N)	
Net Metering	HB 1503	SB 313	Community solar generation facilities	Authorizes the establishment of community solar generation facilities, which are required to be owned by a subscriber organization that has at least 10 subscribers. Subscribers will receive credits on their utility bills from energy generated at the solar facility in proportion to the size of their subscription. The output from a community solar generation facility shall be purchased by the utility in the form of subscription credits allocated to the subscribers. To the extent that a subscriber's subscription credit exceeds the subscriber's electric bill in any billing period, the credit will be applied against future bills.	Del. David Toscano Sen. John Edwards	Introduced to House on January 18 2018 Action: 2018-01-18 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 4-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor Introduced to Senate on January 8 2018 Action: 2018-01-08 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Continued to 2019 in Commerce and Labor (14-Y 0-N)
Net Metering	HB 586	Community energy programs	Authorizes investor-owned electric utilities and electric cooperatives to establish a community energy program with a community subscriber organization. Under a community energy program, community subscribers and community subscriber organizations may participate in community net energy metering with mutually agreed-upon community subscriber payment rates and community subscriber credit rates. A community subscriber (i) acquires a subscription that entitles him to a proportional interest in a renewable energy generation facility and (ii) receives a credit on his electric utility bill based on the community subscriber credit rate multiplied by his share of the facility's output.	Del. Wendy Gooditis	Introduced on January 8 2018 Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends striking from docket (10-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor	
Net Metering	HB 393	Electric utilities; net energy metering; program cap	Directs the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy to track the amount of net metered generation as a proportion of each electric distribution company's adjusted Virginia peak-load forecast for the previous year. The Department is required to make such information publicly available on its website. The measure requires the State Corporation Commission, when the generating capacity of net energy metering program participants reaches one percent of each electric distribution company's adjusted Virginia peak-load forecast for the previous year, to undertake a study of the value of solar energy to the grid, utilities, and the public. Upon completing the study, the Commission is directed to make recommendations to the General Assembly as to what changes, if any, should be made to the net energy metering program. The measure also repeals the existing requirement that the net metering standard contract or tariff shall be available to eligible customer-generators or eligible agricultural customer-generators on a first-come, first-served basis in each electric distribution company's Virginia service area until the one percent cap is met.	Del. Mark Keam	Introduced on January 5 2018 Action: 2018-01-05 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (4-Y 5-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor	
Net Metering	HB 1060	Electric utilities; net energy metering; program cap	Repeals the provision that caps the amount of the aggregate rated generating capacity of renewable generating facilities eligible for a net energy metering standard contract or tariff at one percent of each utility's adjusted Virginia peak-load forecast for the previous year.	Del. Kathy Tran	Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (4-Y 6-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor	
Net Metering	HB 978	Electric utilities; net energy metering; standby charges	Requires the State Corporation Commission, before approving a supplier's proposed standby charge methodology, to find that a value of solar analysis demonstrates that the standby charges reflect the supplier's net costs or benefits properly associated with serving the customers that have installed a net metered generation facility. The bill specifies that a value of solar analysis determines such net costs or benefits by subtracting the value of all benefits provided to the supplier or the electric grid as a result of the installation and operation of the solar generation facility from the portion of the supplier's infrastructure costs that are properly associated with serving such customers.	Del. Elizabeth Guzman	Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-09 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends striking from docket (10-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor	

Net Metering	SB 82	Electric utility regulation; agricultural net energy metering	Allows an otherwise eligible agricultural customer-generator to participate in an electric utility's net energy metering program if it is to be served by multiple meters located on one parcel or on multiple parcels. Currently, an agricultural customer-generator may be served by multiple meters that are located at separate but contiguous sites. The measure increases the generation capacity limit for agricultural net energy metering from 500 kilowatts to one megawatt and adds falling water as a type of generating facility that may be used in agricultural net energy metering. The measure also repeals a provision, added in 2017, that ends the ability of new eligible agricultural customer-generators served by electric cooperatives to commence net energy metering on and after July 1, 2019.	Sen. John Edwards & Sen. Chap Petersen	Introduced on December 8 2017 Action: 2017-12-08 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Continued to 2019 in Commerce and Labor (14-Y 0-N)
Net Metering	HB 1253	Net energy metering by municipalities	Authorizes municipal renewable energy net metering projects. Participating municipalities are authorized to aggregate the electric energy load of their governmental buildings, facilities, and any other governmental operations requiring the consumption of electric energy for the purpose of net energy metering from a renewable energy generating facility. To be eligible, the generation facility for the municipal renewable energy net metering project shall use as its sole energy source solar power, wind power, or aerobic or anaerobic digester gas and landfill gas; not have an aggregate generation capacity of more than five megawatts unless a utility elects a higher capacity; be located on land owned, leased, or operated by the municipality; be interconnected and operated in parallel with an electric utility's transmission and distribution facilities; and be used primarily to provide energy to metered accounts of the municipality. The aggregated municipal net metered accounts may be served by multiple meters that are located at separate sites.	Del. Kathy Tran	Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 4-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Net Metering	HB 930	Net energy metering multifamily customer-generators	Requires the State Corporation Commission, by January 1, 2019, to establish a program of multifamily net energy metering. The program will allow a customer or customers that operate a renewable energy generating facility in a condominium, apartment complex, neighborhood, or homeowners' association served by a common distribution circuit to be an eligible multifamily net metering customer-generator. The generation facility for multifamily net metering shall use as its total source of fuel renewable energy; not have an aggregate generation capacity of more than 500 kilowatts; be located on land owned or controlled by the eligible condominium, apartment complex, or homeowners association or on customers' property within the condominium, apartment complex, neighborhood, or homeowners association; be interconnected and operated in parallel with an electric utility's transmission and distribution facilities; and be used primarily to provide energy to metered accounts of the eligible multifamily net metering customer-generator. Eligible multifamily net metering customer-generators are exempt from the monthly standby charge assessed on other eligible customer-generators.	Del. Alfonso Lopez	Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-09 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 4-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Net Metering	SB 191	Net energy metering; eligibility limits	Increases the cap on the amount of capacity a renewable electric generating facility may have and remain eligible to participate in the net energy metering program. The measure increases a facility's capacity from the expected annual energy consumption to 125 percent of that consumption based on billing history. If the building to be served by the generating facility is newly constructed, the expected annual energy consumption is based on annual energy consumption at similar buildings. Currently, a facility is ineligible to participate in a net energy metering program if its capacity exceeds expected annual energy consumption.	Sen. Barbara Favola	Introduced on December 29 2017 Action: 2017-12-29 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (13-Y 1-N) Action: 2018-02-08 - Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB191S1 Action: 2018-02-09 - Read 3rd time and passed Senate (38-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-14 - Referred to House Committee on Commerce and Labor
Net Metering	HB 1451	Net energy metering; schools that generate more electricity than it consumes	Authorizes a school board to direct that when a school is an eligible customer-generator in the net energy metering program and generates more electricity than it consumes, the supplier is required to credit the excess electricity to one or more other schools in the school division without assessing any service charges or fees.	Del. Richard Sullivan	Introduced on January 17 2018 Action: 2018-01-17 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-08 Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (20-Y 0-N) Engrossed by House 2018-02-12 - committee substitute HB1451H1 Action: 2018-02-13 - VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (100-Y 0-N)
Net Metering	HB 1155	Distributed and renewable generation of electric energy; net energy metering	Exempts generators that are not organized as a public service company and that provide electric energy from renewable energy to retail customers under certain power purchase agreements from being defined as a public utility or a supplier. The measure authorizes retail customers to purchase electric energy from such generators, provided that the renewable energy electricity generation source is located on property owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by the retail customer or any affiliated person. The net energy metering programs are amended to remove the one percent cap relative to total utility sales for net metered facilities. The State Corporation Commission is directed to establish separate net energy metering programs for eligible multi-meter customer-generators, who are customers that own or operate, or contract with another person to own or operate, or both, a renewable energy generating facility that (i) uses as its sole energy source solar power, wind power, or aerobic or anaerobic digester gas; (ii) does not have an aggregate generation capacity of more than one megawatt; and (iii) is used primarily to provide energy to metered accounts of the customer. The measure amends the Commonwealth's energy policy by adding the goals of encouraging private sector distributed renewable energy, increasing security of the electricity grid by supporting distributed renewable energy projects, and augmenting the exercise of private property rights by landowners desiring to generate their own energy from renewable energy sources on their lands.	Del. Marcus Simon	Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 4-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor

Net Metering	SB 711	Electric utilities; community renewable projects	Requires the State Corporation Commission to adopt rules under which community renewable projects are authorized to operate. A community renewable project is a solar-powered or wind-powered electric generation facility with a capacity of not more than 20 megawatts that is operated subject to the requirement that the electricity generated by the facility belongs to the project's subscribers. The facility may be owned either by the investor-owned electric utility or distribution cooperative in whose service territory the facility is located or a for-profit or nonprofit entity, which may be an entity entirely owned by or consisting of subscribers, that contracts to sell the electricity generated by the facility to the retail utility. The measure provides that neither the owner of a project nor its subscribers are public utilities and that prices paid for subscriptions in projects shall not be subject to regulation by the Commission. The measure also requires the retail utility to purchase all of the electricity generated by the project and that the purchase of the electricity by the utility shall take the form of a credit against the utility's electric bill to each of the project's subscribers. Finally, the measure requires the Commission to formulate and implement policies that simultaneously encourage (i) the ownership by customers of subscriptions in projects and of other forms of distributed generation to the extent the Commission finds there to be demand for such ownership; (ii) the development of projects with attributes that the Commission finds result in lower overall total costs for the retail utility's customers; and (iii) the successful financing and operation of subscriber-owned projects.	Sen. Jennifer Wexton	Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Continued to 2019 in Commerce and Labor (12-Y 0-N 1-A)		
Renewable Energy	HB 509	SB 179	Comprehensive plan; solar facilities	Provides that a solar facility subject to provisions requiring the facility to be substantially in accord with a locality's comprehensive plan shall be deemed to be substantially in accord with the comprehensive plan if (i) such proposed solar facility is located in a zoning district that allows such solar facilities by right, (ii) such proposed solar facility is designed to serve the electricity or thermal needs of the property upon which such facility is located, or will be owned or operated by an eligible customer-generator or eligible agricultural customer-generator under ? 56-594 or by a small agricultural generator under ? 56-594.2, or (iii) such solar facility is advertised and approved concurrently in a public hearing process with a rezoning, special exception, or other approval process.	Del. Keith Hodges	Sen. William Stanley	Introduced to House on January 8 2018 Action: 2018-01-17 - Assigned CC & T sub: Subcommittee #2 Action: 2018-01-31 - Subcommittee recommends reporting with amendments (8-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-07 Engrossed by House as amended HB509E Action: 2018-02-08 VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (99-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-09 - Referred to Senate Committee on Local Government
Renewable Energy	HB 436	Electric utilities; mandatory renewable portfolio standard	Replaces the existing voluntary renewable portfolio standard program with a mandatory renewable portfolio standard program that requires each investor-owned electric utility to generate or purchase, from facilities in the Commonwealth, increasing percentages of electric power that is generated from qualifying renewable sources. The required percentages start at a minimum of 20 percent of the total electric energy sold in 2019. Thereafter the required percentages increase in steps until 2026 and thereafter, in which years at least 80 percent of the total electric energy sold is required to be generated from qualifying renewable sources. A utility that fails to comply with a RPS standard established for a year is required to pay a compliance fee of 10 cents for each kilowatt-hour by which it failed to meet the standard.	Del. Richard Sullivan	Introduced on January 6 2018 Action: 2018-01-06 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 4-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor		
Renewable Energy	HB 975	Electric utilities; new generation sources	Prohibits the State Corporation Commission from issuing a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction on or after January 1, 2018, of an electric generating facility unless at least 20 percent of the rated capacity of all electric generation facilities approved in that calendar year, including the facility for which the certificate is requested, will be based on the capacity of the facility or facilities to generate electric power from a renewable energy source.	Del. Elizabeth Guzman	Introduced on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-09 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-06 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 3-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor		
Renewable Energy	HB 1215	SB 284	Electric utilities; solar generation capacity; public interest	Declares that the construction or purchase of certain solar generation facilities, or the purchase of the energy, capacity, and environmental attributes from the facilities, is in the public interest. An enactment clause states that the development of solar generation facilities is encouraged in order to enable ratepayers to obtain the benefit of this energy source during the remaining period of the existing federal investment tax credit.	Del. Timothy Hugo	Sen. Richard Saslaw	Introduced to House on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1558-Kilgore) by voice vote Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
					Introduced to Senate on January 5 2018 Action: 2018/01/05 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-02 Assigned C&L sub: Electric Utility Action: 2018-02-05 - Stricken at request of Patron in Commerce and Labor (10-Y 0-N)		

Renewable Energy	HB 392	Electric utility regulation; solar energy	Declares that it is in the public interest for the electrical supply of the Commonwealth to include at least 10 percent electricity derived from sunlight from facilities located in the Commonwealth, including distributed generation facilities owned or operated by or on behalf of customers. The measure also increases, from 500 megawatts to 15,000 megawatts, the aggregate rated capacity of solar energy generation facilities located in the Commonwealth as to which their construction or purchase by a utility is in the public interest.	Del. Mark Keam	Introduced on January 5 2018 Action: 2018-01-05 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (4-Y 6-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Renewable Energy	HB 1490	Fossil fuel projects moratorium; clean energy mandates	Establishes a moratorium, effective January 1, 2019, on approval by any state agency or political subdivision of any approval required for (i) electric generating facilities that generate fossil fuel energy through the combustion of a fossil fuel resource; (ii) import or export terminals for fossil fuel resources; (iii) certain maintenance activities relating to an import or export terminal for a fossil fuel resource; (iv) gathering lines or pipelines for the transport of any fossil fuel resource that requires the use of eminent domain on private property; (v) certain maintenance activities relating to such gathering lines or pipelines; (vi) refineries of a fossil fuel resource; and (vii) exploration for any type of fossil fuel, unless preempted by applicable federal law. The measure also requires not less than 80 percent of the electricity sold by a retail electric supplier in calendar years 2027 through 2034 to be generated from clean energy resources. In calendar year 2035 and every calendar year thereafter, all of the electricity sold by a retail electric supplier is required to be generated from clean energy resources. The clean energy mandates apply to a public utility or other person that sells not less than 1,000 megawatt hours of electric energy to retail customers or generates not less than 1,000 megawatt hours of electric energy for use by the person. The Director of the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy is authorized to bring actions for injunctions to enforce these requirements. The measure also requires the Department to adopt a Climate Action Plan that addresses all aspects of climate change, including mitigation, adaptation, and resiliency. The measure provides that residents of the Commonwealth and organizations shall have the legal standing to sue to ensure that its provisions and any Climate Action Plan are enforced.	Del. Sam Rasoul	Introduced on January 18 2018 Action: 2018-01-18 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 4-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Renewable Energy	HB 421	Multi-family residential building; sale of electricity to occupants	Exempts the owner of a multi-family residential building from regulation as a public utility in connection with its sale of renewable electric energy generated from a facility on or adjacent to the building to the building's occupants or for use in the building's common areas.	Del. Richard Sullivan	Introduced on January 5 2018 Action: 2018-01-05 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 4-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Renewable Energy	SB 902	Property tax exemption for solar energy equipment and facilities	Amends the property tax exemption for solar equipment and facilities owned and operated by a business to apply to (i) certain projects at public and private colleges, (ii) certain projects equaling five megawatts or less, and (iii) 80 percent of the value of all other projects equaling 100 megawatts or less.	Sen. Louise Lucas	Introduced on January 19 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Referred to Committee on Finance Action: 2018-01-26 - Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB902S1 Action: 2018-01-29 - Read third time and passed Senate (33-Y 6-N 1-A) Action: 2018-01-31 - Referred to House Committee on Finance
Renewable Energy	HB 54	Renewable energy property; tax credit for property placed in service	Establishes, beginning in taxable year 2018, a tax credit for renewable energy property placed in service. The bill defines "renewable energy property" as certain biomass equipment that uses renewable biomass resources, combined heat and power systems using waste heat to produce electricity or thermal or mechanical energy, certain geothermal equipment, hydroelectric generators located at existing dams or in free-flowing waterways, solar energy equipment, and wind equipment that is necessary for capturing and converting wind energy	Del. Richard Sullivan, Del. Wendy Gooditis, & Del. Chris Hurst	Introduced on December 1 2017 Action: 2017-12-01 - Referred to Committee on Finance Hearing: Jan 26 in 300-A Subcommittee Room, Pocahontas Building 3rd Floor Action: 2018-01-26 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (5-Y 2-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Finance
Renewable Energy	HB 1252	Renewable energy power purchase agreements; pilot programs	Revamps the provisions of pilot programs, initially authorized in 2013, permitting third party power purchase agreements. The measure (i) opens up the pilot programs to eligible agricultural customer-generators; (ii) renames "third party power purchase agreements" as "net metering power purchase agreements"; (iii) broadens eligible participants to include any tax-exempt nonprofit organization, public school, or institution of higher education in the Commonwealth; (iv) eliminates caps on total pilot program participation; and (v) eliminates the requirement that eligible renewable energy facilities have a minimum capacity of 50 kilowatts. The measure has a sunset date of January 1, 2022.	Del. Terry Kilgore	Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-01 Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (21-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-07 BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (98-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-08 - Referred to Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor
Renewable Energy	SB 83	Renewable energy; third-party power purchase agreements	Replaces the pilot program initially enacted in 2013 that authorized certain third-party power purchase agreements providing financing of certain renewable generation facilities. The measure requires the State Corporation Commission to establish third-party power purchase agreement programs for each electric utility. The programs authorized by this measure apply to all electric utilities and do not set limits on the size of facilities. The measure also exempts sellers under third-party power purchase agreements from being defined as a public utility, public service corporation, public service company, or electric utility solely because of the sale of electricity or ownership or operation of a renewable generation facility.	Sen. John Edwards	Introduced on December 8 2017 Action: 2017-12-08 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Continued to 2019 in Commerce and Labor (13-Y 0-N)

Renewable Energy	HB 474		Solar energy collection devices; land lease program for installation	Requires the Department of Transportation (the Department) to evaluate land owned by the Commonwealth for use as rights-of-way for suitability for the installation of solar energy collection devices and to solicit bids for the lease of such land for such installation. The bill establishes a revenue-sharing arrangement between the locality or localities in which the right-of-way is located and the state general fund. The bill provides that any entity submitting a bid must complete the application and review process for the use of a right-of-way as established by the Department and as required by federal law. The bill requires solar right-of-way generators to enter into a power purchase agreement with a utility to purchase all the energy generated by the solar energy collection devices.	Del. David Reid		<p>Introduced on January 7 2018</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-07 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3</p> <p>Hearing: Jan 30 in House Committee Room</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (4-Y 6-N)</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor</p>
Renewable Energy	HB 508	SB 429	Solar facilities; local regulation	Provides that a property owner may install a solar facility on the roof of a dwelling or other building to serve the electricity or thermal needs of that dwelling or building, provided that such installation is in compliance with any height and setback requirements in the zoning district where such property is located as well as any provisions pertaining to any local historic district. Unless a local ordinance provides otherwise, a ground-mounted solar energy generation facility shall also be permitted, provided that such installation is in compliance with any height and setback requirements in the zoning district where such property is located as well as any provision pertaining to any local historic district. Any other proposed solar facility, including any solar facility that is designed to serve, or serves, the electricity or thermal needs of any property other than the property where such facilities are located, shall be subject to any applicable zoning regulations of the locality.	Del. Keith Hodges	Sen. William Stanley & Sen. Jennifer Weston & Sen. Mason Montgomery	<p>Introduced to House on January 8 2018</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-26 Reported from Counties, Cities and Towns with substitute (21-Y 1-N)</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-31 - Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB508H1</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-01 VOTE: PASSAGE (90-Y 6-N 1-A)</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-02 - Referred to Senate Committee on Local Government</p> <p>Introduced to Senate on January 9 2018</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-30 Reported from Local Government with substitute (12-Y 0-N 1-A)</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-07 Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute with amendment SB429ES1</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-07 Passed Senate (38-Y 1-N 1-A)</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-14 - Referred to House Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns</p>
Renewable Energy	HB 1590		Utility regulation; community choice aggregation	Authorizes localities to establish community choice aggregation programs for electric and natural gas utility service. The measure provides that a locality may aggregate the requirements of residential, commercial, and industrial customers within its boundaries on an opt-in or opt-out basis and permits the customers to purchase electricity or natural gas from the aggregating locality. The measure also provides that any locality may specify a minimum percentage of the aggregated electrical energy that is required to be generated from renewable energy sources when it authorizes the aggregation (i) of the electric energy load of the customers within its boundaries or (ii) of the energy load of its governmental buildings, facilities, and operations, for purposes of negotiating the purchase of electrical energy requirements from a licensed supplier.	Del. Alfonso Lopez		<p>Introduced on January 19 2018</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-23 Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-06 - Subcommittee recommends passing by indefinitely (6-Y 2-N)</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor</p>
Utilities	HB 1563	SB 965	Electric utility regulation; rate review proceedings; Transitional Rate Period; energy storage facilities	Electric utilities. Advances the date rate reviews are scheduled to resume for Dominion Energy Virginia (DEV) from 2022 to 2021. The review will use the three 12-month test periods beginning January 1, 2018, and ending December 31, 2020. The measure provides that for purposes of the Utility Facility Act a company that owns or operates facilities for the storage of electric energy for sale, including pumped hydroelectric generation and storage facilities in the coalfield region of Virginia is a public utility. The measure excludes from the definition of "public utility," for purposes of the Utility Facility Act, a company that provides storage of electric energy that is not for sale to the public, if the company is not organized as a public utility. The measure also includes enactment clauses that (i) direct the State Corporation Commission to conduct pilot programs for the deployment of electric power storage batteries; (ii) bar Appalachian Power (AEP) from recovering \$10 million of incurred fuel costs; (iii) direct DEV to provide current customers a one-time bill credit of \$133 million; (iv) require DEV to roll into its base rates certain costs associated with the conversion of certain generation facilities to utilize biomass as fuel; (v) require reductions in the rates for all incumbent electric utilities to reflect reductions in federal tax liability resulting from the enactment of federal tax legislation; and (vi) require DEV and AEP to continue funding for pilot programs for energy assistance and weatherization for low-income, elderly, and disabled individuals.	Del. Kathy Byron		<p>Introduced to House on January 19 2018</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-19 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1558-Kilgore) by voice vote</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor</p> <p>Introduced to Senate on January 19 2018</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-19 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-02 - Assigned C&L sub: Electric Utility</p>
Utilities	HB 1558	SB 966	Electric utility regulation; grid modernization; energy efficiency programs	Electric utility regulation. Provides that, in lieu of the biennial review proceedings previously required, Dominion Energy Virginia (DEV) and Appalachian Power (AEP) will be subject to triennial reviews of their rates, terms, and conditions for generation, distribution, and transmission services. The measure advances the termination of the Transitional Rate Period for DEV by two years, to December 31, 2017. The termination of the Transitional Rate Period for AEP remains December 31, 2017. For DEV, the first review after its Transitional Rate Period will be held in 2021, which is one year earlier than currently scheduled. For AEP, the first review after its Transitional Rate Period will be held in 2020, which is unchanged. In the triennial review proceedings, overearnings that might have been refunded to customers may be reduced by the amounts invested by DEV in certain new solar or wind generation facilities or on electric distribution grid transformation projects. The measure...	Del. Terry Kilgore	Sen. Frank Wagner	<p>Introduced to House on January 19 2018</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3</p> <p>Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (8-Y 2-N)</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-08 Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (17-Y 4-N)</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-12 - Engrossed by House - committee substitute with amendment HB1558EH1</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-13 - VOTE: PASSAGE (63-Y 35-N 2-A)</p> <p>Introduced to Senate on January 19 2018</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-05 Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (10-Y 4-N)</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-08 - Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB966S1</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-09 - Read 3rd time and passed Senate (26-Y 13-N)</p> <p>Action: 2018-02-14 - Referred to House Committee on Commerce and Labor</p>

Utilities	HB 1261	SB 855	Energy efficiency programs; programs proposed by an electric utility.	Energy efficiency programs. Provides that an energy efficiency program proposed by an electric utility is in the public interest if the net present value of the benefits exceeds the net present value of the costs as determined by any three of four benefit cost tests. The four tests to be considered are the Total Resource Cost Test, the Utility Cost Test, the Participant Test, and the Ratepayer Impact Measure Test. The measure also revises the existing standard for what constitutes a cost-effective conservation and energy efficiency program conducted by a natural gas utility to conform to the provisions for electric utilities.	Del. Hugo	Sen. Sturtevant	Introduced to House on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1558-Kilgore) by voice vote Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor Introduced to Senate on January 16 2018 Action: 2018-01-16 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Incorporated by Commerce and Labor
Utilities	HB 665	SB 378	Coal tax credits; reinstates Virginia coal employment and production incentive tax credit	Reinstates the Virginia coal employment and production incentive tax credit. The credit, which expired on July 1, 2016, can be earned on and after January 1, 2018, but before January 1, 2023. The bill limits the aggregate amount of credits that may be allocated or claimed for the coal employment and production incentive tax credit in each fiscal year to \$7.3 million. An electricity generator must file an application with the Department of Taxation each year to determine the amount of credits that it may claim or allocate, including credits earned in prior taxable years. If the total amount of credits earned in a taxable year exceeds \$7.3 million, the Department of Taxation shall apportion the credits on a pro rata basis. The credits may be carried over for seven years. The bill also reestablishes the coalfield employment enhancement tax credit for metallurgical coal for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, but before January 1, 2023.	Del. Terry Kilgore	Sen. Benton Chafin	Introduced to House on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-09 - Referred to Committee on Finance Action: 2018-01-25 - Assigned Finance sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-07 Reported from Finance with amendments (14-Y 8-N) Action: 2018-02-12 - Engrossed by House as amended HB665E Action: 2018-02-13 - VOTE: PASSAGE (59-Y 41-N) Introduced to Senate on January 9 2018 Action: 2018-01-09 - Referred to Committee on Finance Action: 2018-01-31 - Reported from Finance (13-Y 3-N) Action: 2018-02-05 Read third time and passed Senate (29-Y 11-N) Action: 2018-02-08 - Referred to House Committee on Finance
Utilities		SB 646	Electric utilities; fuel factor; gas pipeline capacity	Directs the State Corporation Commission to disallow an electric utility's request to recover fuel costs resulting from the purchase by the public utility or its affiliate or subsidiary of a greater amount of firm pipeline capacity for natural gas than the Commission finds is appropriate to ensure a reliable supply of natural gas. The measure also directs the Commission to conduct a proceeding to establish the proper amount of natural gas pipeline capacity that an electric utility needs to purchase under firm contract.		Sen. Jeremy McPike & Sen. Chap Petersen	Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Passed by indefinitely in Commerce and Labor (11-Y 1-N)
Utilities		SB 807	Electric utilities; rate adjustment clause costs of coal ash beneficiation facility	Authorizes an investor-owned electric utility to petition the State Corporation Commission for approval of rate adjustment clauses for the timely and current recovery from customers of reasonable and prudently incurred costs of constructing coal ash beneficiation facilities capable of processing coal ash to specifications appropriate for cementitious products. The measure provides that a utility that constructs such a facility shall have the right to recover the costs of no more than three such facilities. Construction costs of not more than \$60 million shall be presumed to be reasonable and prudently incurred. The measure bars recovery of such costs prior to the date the facility begins commercial operation. The construction of any such facility is declared to be in the public interest and the Commission is directed to liberally construe its provisions.		Sen. Scott Surovell	Introduced on January 11 2018 Action: 2018-01-11 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-07 Reported from Commerce and Labor with substitute (13-Y 1-N 1-A) Action: 2018-02-07 - Incorporates SB708 (Chase) Action: 2018-02-12 - Engrossed by Senate - committee substitute SB807S1 Action: 2018-02-13 - Read 3rd time and passed Senate (37-Y 3-N)
Utilities		SB 808	Electric utilities; Transitional Rate Period; coal combustion residuals landfills	Shortens the duration of the Transitional Rate Period (Period) for any Phase II Utility. The measure provides that the Period ends December 31, 2017, which is the date the Period is currently scheduled to end for a Phase I Utility. The measure provides that biennial reviews will commence in 2020 for both Phase I and Phase II Utilities, which advances the year of the first post-Period biennial review for a Phase II Utility by two years. The measure also provides that during the first biennial review after the Period, the State Corporation Commission shall determine whether the utility would have owed customers a refund during any test period in the Transitional Rate Period, and, if so, the utility may elect to expense up to 80 percent of costs associated with closure by removal of coal combustion residuals landfill or surface impoundments against its overearnings. The measure requires the owner or operator of any coal combustion residuals unit to submit reports on the costs associated with removal of coal combustion residuals landfill or surface impounds.		Sen. Scott Surovell	Introduced on January 11 2018 Action: 2018-01-11 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-07 - Continued to 2019 in Commerce and Labor (15-Y 0-N)
Utilities	HB 1202		Electrical transmission lines; approval of underground construction; pilot program	Establishes a pilot program consisting of the approval of the underground construction of two electrical transmission lines. As a part of the pilot program, the State Corporation Commission (SCC) is directed to approve as a qualifying project a transmission line that appears to track the I-66 Hybrid Route that has been considered in the application of Dominion Energy for the Haymarket transmission line project in Prince William County. The measure establishes criteria to be used by the SCC in approving the second project. The approval of a transmission line satisfies local zoning requirements. The SCC is directed to approve a rate adjustment clause to allow the utility to recover from the utility's Virginia jurisdictional customers the costs of the project that are not otherwise recoverable under existing provisions. The measure directs the SCC to submit annual reports on the pilot program.	Del. Timothy Hugo		Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1558-Kilgore) by voice vote Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Utilities		SB 662	Electric utilities; competition	Limits the scope of the provision that allows individual retail customers to aggregate or combine their demands in order to meet the five megawatt threshold above which they are permitted to purchase electric energy from any licensed supplier. The measure provides that the demands of individual retail customers may be aggregated or combined to meet this level only if they (i) are served by an electric cooperative with more than 150,000 customer accounts, (ii) have a combined noncoincident peak demand that exceeds 120 megawatts, and (iii) receive service at sites that are within 20 miles of each other.		Sen. Frank Wagner	Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Continued to 2019 in Commerce and Labor (12-Y 0-N)

Utilities	SB 922	Electric utilities; rates and tariffs	Directs the State Corporation Commission to use the unconsolidated capital structure and cost of capital of an investor-owned electric utility when regulating the rates, terms, and conditions of service. Currently there is no requirement that the capital structure and cost of capital be unconsolidated. The measure also authorizes a utility to request an adjustment to a tariff during a biennial filing when the utility's rates do not change and requires the Commission to approve such an adjustment if it is found to be in the public interest.	Sen. Benton Chafin	Introduced on January 19 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 Reported from Commerce and Labor with amendments (12-Y 0-N) Engrossed by Senate as amended SB922E Action: 2018-02-09 - Read third time and passed Senate (39-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-14 - Referred to House Committee on Commerce and Labor
Utilities	HB 1528 SB 837	Electric utilities; retail competition	Reduces the amount of the demand of an investor-owned electric utility's customer that makes the customer eligible to purchase electric power from any licensed supplier from five megawatts to one megawatt. The measure shortens the period that a utility's customer who switches from an investor-owned electric utility to a competing supplier is barred from returning as a customer of its utility from five years to three months. The measure revises the methodology for calculating certain costs for customers of an investor-owned electric utility that receive an exemption from the lock-out period. The measure (i) allows customers of an investor-owned electric utility to purchase 100 percent renewable energy from any licensed supplier and (ii) eliminates the condition that permits such purchases only if the incumbent investor-owned electric utility does not offer a tariff for 100 percent renewable energy. The measure does not change the existing corresponding requirements applicable to cooperative electric utilities.	Del. Michael Mullin Sen. David Suetterlein	Introduced to House on January 19 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-06 - Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (3-Y 6-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor Introduced to Senate on January 15 2018 Action: 2018-01-15 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Continued to 2019 in Commerce and Labor (12-Y 2-N)
Utilities	SB 901	Electric utilities; undergrounding distribution lines; reasonableness and prudence of costs	States that the General Assembly has determined that (i) the conversion of an investor-owned electric utility's existing overhead distribution tap lines with new underground facilities will provide local and system-wide benefits, (ii) the new underground facilities are cost beneficial, and (iii) the costs associated with the new underground facilities are reasonably and prudently incurred. This legislative determination replaces a provision enacted in 2017 that established a rebuttable presumption regarding these three issues. The measure also directs the State Corporation Commission, in proceedings authorized or required by ? 56-585.1, to only consider whether activities, facilities, or projects were or will be subject to proper and required purchasing and construction practices and whether costs proposed for such activities, facilities, or projects are reasonable such that they are attributable to expenses. This directive supersedes provisions enacted in 2007 that authorized the Commission to determine the reasonableness and prudence of costs incurred by a utility.	Sen. Glen Sturtevant	Introduced on January 19 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 Incorporated by Commerce and Labor
Utilities	HB 33	Electric utility regulation; approval of generating facilities	Allows the State Corporation Commission, in its consideration of an application for approval of an electrical generating facility, to consider environmental effects not expressly governed by a permit or expressly considered by a permitting authority, including carbon emissions and the overall impacts of new and existing facilities on the health and welfare of the residents of the Commonwealth. The measure also removes provisions that prohibited the Commission from imposing additional conditions with respect to such matters.	Del. Kaye Kory & Del. Danica Roem	Introduced on November 28 2017 Action: 2017-11-28 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-06 - Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2019 by voice vote Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Utilities	HB 1493	Electric utility regulation; recovery of costs of coal combustion by-product management	Authorizes an investor-owned electric utility to recover, through a rate adjustment clause, its costs of complying with laws, regulations, or judicial or administrative orders applicable to sites associated with the utility's management of coal combustion by-products.	Del. Israel O'Quinn	Introduced on January 18 2018 Action: 2018-01-18 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-06 - Subcommittee recommends continuing to 2019 by voice vote Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor
Utilities	HB 96 SB 9	Electric utility regulation; suspension of reviews of earnings, transitional rate period	Provides that the transitional rate period for Virginia Electric and Power Company (Dominion) will conclude on December 31, 2018, and its next biennial review will be conducted in 2019. The transitional rate period for Dominion currently is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2019, and its next biennial review is scheduled to occur in 2022. The measure does not change the date Appalachian Power's transitional rate period is scheduled to conclude (December 31, 2017), but does advance the year of its next biennial review from 2020 to 2018. During the first biennial reviews after the conclusion of the transitional rate period, the State Corporation Commission shall review the earnings of the utilities during the Transitional Rate Period and order adjustments to rates or credits to customers, if warranted. Pursuant to the 2015 legislation, the State Corporation Commission is barred from conducting a biennial review of the rates, terms, and conditions for any service of an electric utility during its transitional rate period.	Del. Sam Rasoul Sen. Chap Petersen	Introduced to House on December 12 2017 Action: 2017-12-12 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-02-06 - Subcommittee failed to recommend reporting (3-Y 6-N) Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor Introduced to Senate on November 20 2017 Action: 2018-01-15 - Passed by indefinitely in Commerce and Labor (13-Y 1-N)

Utilities	SB 955	Electric utility regulation; suspension of reviews of earnings; Transitional Rate Period	Provides that the Transitional Rate Period for Virginia Electric and Power Company (Dominion) will conclude on December 31, 2018, and its next biennial review will be conducted in 2019. The Transitional Rate Period for Dominion currently is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2019, and its next biennial review is scheduled to occur in 2022. The measure does not change the date Appalachian Power's Transitional Rate Period is scheduled to conclude (December 31, 2017), but does advance the year of its next biennial review from 2020 to 2018. During the first biennial reviews after the conclusion of the Transitional Rate Period, the State Corporation Commission shall review the earnings of the utilities by utilizing the two successive 12-month test periods ending December 31 of the year preceding the biennial review. During the first biennial reviews after the conclusion of the Transitional Rate Period, the Commission shall review the earnings of the utility during the Transitional Rate Period and, if warranted, shall order credits to customers, order adjustments to rates, or both. The measure also authorizes the Commission to notify customers of such utilities that (i) the General Assembly has authorized the Commission to conduct biennial reviews of the rates, terms, and conditions for any service of the utility during 2018 or 2019, as applicable, and (ii) pursuant to a biennial review, the customer may be entitled to a credit on the customer's bill.	Sen. Chap Petersen	Introduced on January 19 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Passed by indefinitely in Commerce and Labor (8-Y 5-N)		
Utilities	SB 967	Electric utility regulation; grid modernization, energy efficiency	Electric utility regulation. Provides that, in lieu of the biennial review proceedings previously required, Dominion Energy Virginia (DEV) and Appalachian Power (AEP) will be subject to triennial reviews of their rates, terms, and conditions for generation, distribution, and transmission services. The measure advances the termination of the Transitional Rate Period for DEV by two years, to December 31, 2017. The termination of the Transitional Rate Period for AEP remains December 31, 2017. For DEV, the first review after its Transitional Rate Period will be held in 2021, which is one year earlier than currently scheduled. For AEP, the first review after its Transitional Rate Period will be held in 2020, which is unchanged. In the triennial review proceedings, overearnings that might have been refunded to customers may be reduced by the amounts invested by DEV in certain new solar or wind generation facilities or on electric distribution grid transformation projects. The measure...	Sen. Richard Saslaw	Introduced on January 19 2018 Action: 2018-01-19 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Incorporated by Commerce and Labor		
Utilities	HB 1491	Marine Resources Commission; conveyance of easement and rights-of-way across Rappahannock River	Marine Resources Commission; conveyance of easement and rights-of-way; Rappahannock River. Authorizes the Virginia Marine Resources Commission to convey to Virginia Electric and Power Company (Dominion Virginia Power) an easement and rights-of-way needed for constructing and maintaining an underground electric transmission line across the Rappahannock River in Middlesex and Lancaster Counties. The bill provides that none of the right-of-way property that lies within the Baylor Survey shall be considered part of the natural oyster beds, rocks, and shoals of the Commonwealth.	Del. Margaret Ransone	Introduced on January 18 2018 Action: 2018-01-29 - Assigned ACNR sub: Subcommittee #2 Action: 2018-01-31 - Subcommittee recommends reporting with substitute (7-Y 0-N) Action: 2018-02-07 - Reported from Agriculture, Chesapeake and Natural Resources with substitute (22-Y 0-N) Engrossed by House - committee substitute HB1491H1 Action: 2018-02-13 - VOTE: BLOCK VOTE PASSAGE (100-Y 0-N)		
Utilities	HB 1228	SB 285	Utility rates; voluntary rate design schedules or riders	Requires the State Corporation Commission (SCC) to enter its final order on certain petitions filed by an investor-owned electric utility within eight months of the filing of the petition. The measure applies to petitions seeking approval of a schedule or rider for a voluntary rate or rate design test or experiment. An existing exemption to the requirement that each public utility uniformly charge each of its customers using its service under like conditions allows a utility to implement special rates upon SCC approval of a petition for a voluntary rate or rate design test or experiment.	Del. Timothy Hugo	Sen. Richard Saslaw	Introduced to House on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-01-23 - Assigned C & L sub: Subcommittee #3 Action: 2018-01-30 - Subcommittee recommends incorporating (HB1558-Kilgore) by voice vote Action: 2018-02-13 - Left in Commerce and Labor Introduced to Senate on January 5 2018 Action: 2018-01-05 - Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor Action: 2018-02-05 - Stricken at request of Patron in Commerce and Labor (10-Y 0-N)

Maryland (February, 2018 Update)

Topic	H. Bill	S. Bill	Title	Description	House Sponsor(s)	Senate Sponsor(s)	CEPC Position	Status / Hearings
Air Quality	HB 26	SB 133	Community Healthy Air Act	Establishing the Committee on Air Quality to create an air quality sampling and monitoring protocol, on or before January 1, 2019, for the collection of air quality and public health data associated with certain large animal-feeding operations; requiring the protocol to establish the methodology for the Department of the Environment to use to quantify and assess certain data; requiring the Department to report its findings from certain assessments and evaluations to the General Assembly by December 15, 2019; etc.	Del. Robbyn Lewis & Del. Shane Robinson			Introduced to House on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-02-07 - Hearing 2/07 at 1:00 p.m. (Environment and Transportation) Introduced to Senate on January 11 2018 Action: 2018-01-24 - Hearing 1/24 at 1:00 p.m.
Carbon Emissions	HB 230	SB 290	Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative - Withdrawal Legislative Approval Required (Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Extension Act)	Altering the circumstances under which the State may withdraw from the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative by requiring the General Assembly to enact a law approving the withdrawal.	Del. Marc Korman	Sen. Paul Pinsky		Introduced on January 18 2018 Action: 2018-01-18 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-02-09 - Third Reading Passed (87-48) Engrossed on February 9 2018 2018-02-12 - First Reading Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Introduced on January 22 2018 Action: 2018-01-22 - First Reading Appropriations

Carbon Emissions	HB 939	Regional Carbon Cost Collection Initiative	Establishing a Regional Carbon Cost Collection Initiative in the Department of the Environment for certain purposes; requiring the Secretary of the Environment to administer certain schedules of greenhouse gas pollution charges; requiring the Secretary to delegate certain collection and rebate functions to the Comptroller; requiring the Comptroller to carry out certain functions; requiring the collection of a certain greenhouse gas pollution charge on certain fuels and certain greenhouse gas-emitting priorities; etc.	Del. Kramer & Del. Fraser-Hildago		Introduced on February 5 2018 Action: 2018-02-05 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-05 - Hearing 3/05 at 2:00 p.m.
Electric Vehicles	SB 177	Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment Rebate Program and Electric Vehicle Excise Tax Credit - Fiscal Year 2017 Applicants	Establishing the Fiscal Year 2017 Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment Rebate Program to provide rebates to individuals and entities that qualified for a rebate in fiscal year 2017 but did not receive it due to a limitation on the total amount of rebates to be issued in fiscal year 2017; limiting the rebate to applicants that applied for a rebate during fiscal year 2017; allowing a credit against the motor vehicle excise tax for certain qualified plug-in electric drive vehicles; etc.		Sen. Roger Manno	Introduced on January 17 2018 Action: 2018-01-30 - Hearing 1/30 at 1:30 p.m.
Electric Vehicles	HB 598	Vehicle Laws - Plug-In Electric Drive Vehicles - Reserved Parking Spaces	Prohibiting a person from stopping, standing, or parking a vehicle that is not a plug-in electric drive vehicle in a parking space that is designated for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles; requiring that a parking space for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles have green pavement markings; requiring that a parking space for the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles be counted as part of the overall number of parking spaces for certain purposes; establishing a civil penalty of \$50 for a violation of the Act; etc.	Del. Lam		Introduced on January 29 2018 Action: 2018-01-29 - First Reading Environment and Transportation Action: 2018-02-15 - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 p.m.
Electric Vehicles	HB 602	Real Property - Installation and Use of Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment	Providing that certain provisions of a recorded covenant or restriction, a declaration, or the bylaws or rules of a condominium or homeowners association are void and unenforceable; establishing certain requirements and procedures relating to an application to the governing body of a condominium or homeowners association to install or use electric vehicle recharging equipment; requiring certain owners of electric vehicle recharging equipment to be responsible for certain costs and disclosures; etc.	Del. Lam		Introduced on January 29 2018 Action: 2018-01-29 First Reading Environment and Transportation Action: 2018-02-13 - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.
Electric Vehicles	HB 714	SB 751	Vehicle Laws - HOV Lanes - Plug-In Electric Drive and Hybrid Vehicles	Del. McMillan	Sen. Simonaire	Introduced to House on January 31 2018 Action: 2018-01-31 - First Reading Environment and Transportation Action: 2018-02-22 - Hearing 2/22 at 1:00 p.m. Introduced to Senate on February 5 2018 Action: 2018-02-05 First Reading Judicial Proceedings Action: 2018-02-27 - Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m.
Energy and Environmental Policy	HB 3	SB 138	Environment - U.S. Climate Alliance - Membership	Del. Dana Stein & Del. Kumar Barve	Sen. Joan Conway, Sen. Paul Pinsky & Sen. Thomas Miller	Introduced to House on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 Referred to Environment and Transportation Introduced to Senate on January 12 2018 Action: 2018-02-05 - Reported by Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs with amendments Action: 2018-02-08 - Third Reading Passed (36-10) with Amendments Engrossed on February 12 2018 Action: 2018-02-13 - First Reading House Environment and Transportation
Energy and Environmental Policy		SB 1029	Oil and Gas Drilling and Production - Restrictions		Sen. Madaleno	Introduced on February 5 2018 Action: 2018-02-05 - First Reading Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Action: 2018-03-06 - Hearing 3/06 at 1:00 p.m.
Energy and Environmental Policy	HB 1456	Offshore Drilling Liability Act	Establishing that an offshore drilling activity is an ultrahazardous and abnormally dangerous activity; establishing that a person that causes a spill of oil or gas while engaged in an offshore drilling activity is strictly liable for certain damages; providing that provisions concerning a certain bond do not apply to a judgment in a civil action for damages relating to an offshore drilling activity; applying the Act prospectively; etc.	Del. Barve		Introduced on February 9 2018 Action: 2018-02-09 - First Reading Judiciary and Environment and Transportation Action: 2018-03-07 - Hearing 3/07 at 1:00 p.m. (Judiciary)
Energy Efficiency	SB 648	Real Property - New Home Sales Information on Energy-Efficient Options	Requiring, for a development with 11 or more homes to be built by the same builder, a home builder to provide a purchaser with written information on energy-efficient options, including a statement that tax credits may be available related to the energy-efficient options, available for installation in a new home; and requiring a contract for the initial sale of a new home to contain a certain acknowledgment that the purchaser was provided with certain information about energy-efficient options for the home.		Sen. Kelley	Introduced on February 1 2018 Action: 2018-02-01 - First Reading Judicial Proceedings Action: 2018-02-15 - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 p.m.
Energy Efficiency	SB 957	Income Tax Credits - Poultry Houses - LED Lighting and Solar Panel Systems	Allowing a credit against the State income tax for expenses related to the installation of certain lighting systems on certain poultry houses; requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to administer the tax credit; requiring the Administration to issue tax credit certificates not exceeding \$5,000; requiring the Administration to approve applications for tax credits on a first-come, first-served basis and in a timely manner; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2017, but before January 1, 2023; etc.		Sen. Eckardt	Introduced on February 5 2018 Action: 2018-02-05 - First Reading Budget and Taxation Action: 2018-03-14 - Hearing 3/14 at 1:00 p.m.
Environmental Justice	HB 183	Prince George's County Environmental Justice Commission PG 411-18	Establishing the Prince George's County Environmental Justice Commission; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; requiring the Commission to study and make recommendations regarding certain environmental justice issues and other matters; requiring the Commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Prince George's County House Delegation on or before December 31, 2018; terminating the Act after June 30, 2019; etc.	House of Delegates Prince George's County Delegation Committee		Introduced on January 18 2018 Action: 2018-01-18 - First Reading Environment and Transportation

Renewable Energy	HB 529	SB 282	Renewable Energy – Tier 2 Eligibility – Extension	Extending the eligibility of certain Tier 2 renewable sources for purposes of the renewable energy portfolio standard through 2021.	Del. Sally Jameson	Sen. Thomas Middleton	Introduced on January 26 2018 Action: 2018-01-26 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-02-01 - Hearing 2/01 at 1:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy		SB 433	Public Service Commission - Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard - Reporting	Altering the date from February 1 to December 1 each year by which the Public Service Commission is required to report to the General Assembly on the status of implementation of the renewable energy portfolio standard.		Sen. Stephen Hershey	Introduced on January 22 2018 Action: 2018-01-22 - First Reading Finance Action: 2018-02-06 - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy		SB 391	Electric Companies - Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard Requirements - Standard Offer Service	Requiring an electric company to contract for certain renewable energy credits and electricity generated from certain Tier 1 renewable sources to meet a certain portion of the renewable energy portfolio standard for electricity that the electric company provides to certain customers beginning in 2021; requiring an electric company to solicit bids for a certain contract from certain renewable energy facilities; requiring an electric company to submit a certain contract to the Public Service Commission for review and approval; etc.		Sen. Brian Feldman	Introduced on January 25 2018 Action: 2018-01-25 - First Reading Finance Action: 2018-02-06 - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy		SB 603	Electricity - Renewable Energy Portfolio Standards - Sources	Requiring that at least 51% of the renewable energy credits used to satisfy that portion of the renewable energy portfolio standard that exceeds 25% in certain years must be created by a source that is located in the State; providing that an electricity supplier may use certain credits to meet the standard under certain circumstances; and providing for the application of the Act.		Sen. Edwards	Introduced on January 31 2018 Action: 2018-01-31 - First Reading Finance Action: 2018-03-06 - Hearing 3/06 at 1:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy		SB 688	Public Utilities - Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard - Revisions	Altering the renewable energy portfolio standard percentage derived from Tier 1 renewable sources for certain years; and extending the renewable energy portfolio standard percentage derived from Tier 2 renewable sources for certain years.		Sen. Hershey	Introduced on February 2 2018 Action: 2018-02-02 - First Reading Finance Action: 2018-02-06 - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy	HB 1453	SB 732	Clean Energy Jobs Act	Establishing certain criteria for qualified offshore wind projects applied for on or after January 1, 2020; altering and extending the minimum required percentage of energy that must be derived from Tier 1 renewable sources in the State's renewable energy portfolio standard in certain years; altering and extending the minimum required percentage of Tier 1 renewable energy that must be derived from solar energy in the State's renewable energy portfolio standard in certain years; etc.	Del. Frick	Sen. Feldman	Introduced to House on February 9 2018 Action: 2018-02-09 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-05 - Hearing 3/05 at 2:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy	HB 878		Public Utilities - Renewable Energy - Electric and Gas Bills (100% Clean Renewable Energy Equity Act of 2018)	Making permanent the Community Solar Energy Generating System Program; altering the definition of "qualified energy resources" as it relates to the clean energy production income tax credit; establishing the Maryland Megawatt Block Program in the Public Service Commission; establishing the Office of Offshore Wind Procurement in the Department of Natural Resources; repealing various provisions of law regarding the renewable energy portfolio standard; establishing a new renewable energy portfolio standard; etc.	Del. Robinson		Introduced on February 5 2018 Action: 2018-02-05 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-05 - Hearing 3/05 at 2:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy	HB 19		Solar Energy Grant Program - Minimum Grant Amounts	Establishing certain minimum grant amounts under the Solar Energy Grant Program for solar energy property installed at a certain homeowner's principal residence of at least \$2,000 for photovoltaic property and at least \$1,000 for solar water heating property with a collecting area of 10 to 100 square feet.	Del. Brooks		Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-10 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-01-23 - Hearing canceled
Renewable Energy	HB 866		Maryland Energy Administration - Study on Location of Solar Photovoltaic Technologies	Requiring the Maryland Energy Administration to study the effect that an increase in the State's renewable energy portfolio standard, to include the increase in the percentage of energy required to be from solar energy, will have on the State's reliance on energy from solar photovoltaic technologies; establishing certain requirements for the study; requiring the Administration to solicit input from certain persons; and requiring the Administration to submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 31, 2019.	Del. West		Introduced on February 2 2018 Action: 2018-02-02 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-12 - Hearing 3/12 at 2:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy	HB 1013	SB 759	Property Tax - Benefits for Agricultural Land - Exclusion of Solar Farms	Establishing that a certain special use value assessment of certain agricultural land does not apply to land used for the generation of electricity from solar energy; prohibiting a certain property tax credit for agricultural land from being granted for tax imposed on land used for the generation of electricity from solar energy; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2018.	Del. West		Introduced to House on February 7 2018 Action: 2018-02-07 - First Reading Ways and Means Action: 2018-02-20 - Hearing 2/20 at 1:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy		SB 760	Land Use - Solar Electric Generating Facility Siting - Prohibition on Contiguous Parcels of Agricultural Land	Prohibiting the siting of a solar electric generating facility on contiguous parcels of productive agricultural land that have different owners; and applying the prohibition to charter counties and Baltimore City.		Sen. Jennings	Introduced on February 5 2018 Action: 2018-02-05 - First Reading Finance Action: 2018-03-06 - Hearing 3/06 at 1:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy		SB 761	Public Utilities - Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity - Exclusion From Exemption	Excluding a person from the exemption to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity if the person is constructing a generating station that has the capacity to produce, when combined with a certain generating station, at least 2 megawatts of electricity from a solar photovoltaic system and is located on certain agricultural land.		Sen. Jennings	Introduced on February 5 2018 Action: 2018-02-05 - First Reading Finance Action: 2018-03-06 - Hearing 3/06 at 1:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy	HB 934	SB 557	Public Utilities - Electric Generating Systems - Net Metering and Community Solar Energy	Increasing the generating capacity limit for an electric generating system used by an eligible customer-generator for net metering and a community solar energy generating system under certain circumstances; requiring an electric generating system used by an eligible customer-generator for net metering and a community solar energy generating system to comply with local land use and planning laws; etc.	Del. Barkley	Sen. Feldman	Introduced to House on February 5 2018 Action: 2018-02-05 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-05 - Hearing 3/05 at 2:00 p.m.
							Introduced to Senate on January 31 2018 Action: 2018-01-31 - First Reading Finance Action: 2018-03-06 - Hearing 3/06 at 1:00 p.m.

Renewable Energy	HB 1236	SB 879	Solar Energy Grant Program - Revisions	Altering the maximum grant amount that the Maryland Energy Administration may award to certain properties under the Solar Energy Grant Program; prohibiting the Administration from denying a grant application for a certain property except under certain circumstances; and establishing the maximum grant amount of \$3,000 for fiscal years 2019 and 2020 for properties that do not serve a certain purpose.	Del. Clippinger & Del. Brooks	Sen. Feldman	Introduced to House on February 8 2018 Action: 2018-02-08 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-01 - Hearing 3/01 at 1:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy	HB 1135	SB 1058	Renewable Energy – Offshore Wind Projects – Distance Requirements	Altering from between 10 to 30 to not less than 26 nautical miles the distances required of certain qualified offshore wind projects from the State shoreline; prohibiting the Public Service Commission from approving certain offshore wind projects unless certain wind turbines are installed; requiring certain wind turbines to be installed in a certain manner for certain purposes; excluding from the calculation of certain ORECs the generation or capacity of certain wind turbines; requiring the Commission to enter a certain order; etc.	Del. Adams	Sen. Hershey	Introduced to House on February 8 2018 Action: 2018-02-08 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-08 - Hearing 3/08 at 1:00 p.m.
Renewable Energy	HB 1242		Solar Photovoltaic Recycling	Establishing a solar photovoltaic recycling fee; requiring a person installing a solar electric generating facility in the State to pay the fee beginning October 1, 2018; establishing the Solar Photovoltaic Recycling Fund; requiring 20% of the first sale price of each renewable energy credit sold to be deposited into the Fund; providing the purpose of the Fund is to provide funding for technologies and processes that assist with the recycling of solar photovoltaic systems; etc.	Del. Miller		Introduced on February 8 2018 Action: 2018-02-08 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-12 - Hearing 3/12 at 2:00 p.m.
Transport		SB 88	Prince George's County - Land Use - Magnetic Levitation Transportation System	Prohibiting a person from constructing a magnetic levitation transportation system or certain facilities or structures in the regional district in Prince George's County unless the district council reviews and approves the construction; and prohibiting a unit of State or local government from approving the construction, or condemnation for the construction, unless the district council reviews and approves the construction.		Sen. Joanne Benson	Introduced on January 10 2018 Action: 2018-01-12 - Unfavorable Report by Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs; Withdrawn
Utilities	HB 773	SB 695	Electricity - Condemnation of Property or Rights for Overhead Transmission Lines - Public Service Commission Approval	Subjecting the condemnation of certain property or rights for the construction or maintenance of overhead transmission lines to approval by the Public Service Commission.	Del. Szeliga	Sen. Jennings	Introduced to House on February 1 2018 Action: 2018-02-01 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-02-15 - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 p.m.
Utilities	HB 784		Electric Facilities - Construction of Overhead Transmission Lines - Repeal of Condemnation Authority, Location, and Workgroup	Repealing the authority of a person to which a certain certificate of public convenience and necessity is issued for the construction of a certain overhead transmission line to acquire certain property or rights by condemnation; prohibiting the Public Service Commission from issuing a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction of an overhead transmission line that is designed to carry a certain voltage unless the overhead transmission line is located on certain sites or on certain land; etc.	Del. Impallaria		Introduced on February 1 2018 Action: 2018-02-01 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-02-15 - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 p.m.
Utilities	HB 794	SB 692	Public Service Commission - Construction of Overhead Transmission Lines - Location	Prohibiting the Public Service Commission from issuing a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction of an overhead transmission line that is designed to carry a voltage in excess of 69,000 volts unless the overhead transmission line will be located on certain sites or on property subject to an existing easement; authorizing the Commission to issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction of an overhead transmission line at a location other than certain locations; etc.	Del. Szeliga	Sen. Jennings	Introduced to House on February 1 2018 Action: 2018-02-01 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-02-15 - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 p.m.
Utilities	HB 812	SB 691	Electric Facilities - Condemnation Conserved Land	Establishing certain restrictions on the acquisition of certain property by condemnation in connection with a certificate of public convenience and necessity for certain facilities used in the transmission of electricity; providing that a property or right may not be taken by eminent domain for certain transmission or lead lines unless certain conditions are met; and requiring certain compensation to be paid based on a certain valuation and to reimburse certain entities.	Del. Szeliga	Sen. Jennings	Introduced to House on February 1 2018 Action: 2018-02-01 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-02-15 - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 p.m.
Utilities	HB 869	SB 696	Construction of Transmission Lines - Landowners - Notification and Compensation	Requiring a public service company or an applicant to provide certain notice to owners of land located within 2,500 feet of proposed transmission lines under certain circumstances; requiring the Public Service Commission to consider, and authorizing the Commission to require, as a condition of the issuance of a certificate of public convenience and necessity, an applicant to compensate owners of land located within 2,500 feet of a certain proposed transmission line that are impacted by the transmission line; etc.	Del. Szeliga	Sen. Jennings	Introduced to House on February 2 2018 Action: 2018-02-02 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-02-15 - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 p.m.
Utilities	HB 912		Task Force on Electric Power Grid Security	Establishing the Task Force on Electric Power Grid Security; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2019; terminating the Act; etc.	Del. Parrott		Introduced on February 5 2018 Action: 2018-02-05 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-02-22 - Hearing 2/22 at 1:00 p.m.
Utilities	HB 1126		Public Service Commission - Application for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity - Criteria to Consider	Requiring the Public Service Commission to take final action on a certain application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity only after due consideration of the effect of a generating station, an overhead transmission line, or a qualified generator lead line on air quality and water pollution, rather than the effect of the generating station, overhead transmission line, or qualified generator lead line on air and water pollution when applicable; etc.	Del. Lisanti & Del. Impallaria		Introduced on February 8 2018 Action: 2018-02-08 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-08 - Hearing 3/08 at 1:00 p.m.

Utilities	HB 1274	Gas and Electricity-Smart Meters- Customer Rights	Requiring a utility company to give prior written notice to certain customers prior to deploying smart meters throughout all or a portion of the utility company's service territory; prohibiting a utility company from imposing any additional fee or charge on a certain customer that refuses installation of a smart meter or requests removal of a smart meter; requiring the Public Service Commission and the Maryland Department of Health to make certain reports regarding smart meters; etc.	Del. Glass	Introduced on February 9 2018 Action: 2018-02-09 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-15 - Hearing 3/15 at 1:00 p.m.
Utilities	HB 1333	Gas and Electricity-Analog Meters- Purchase and Installation	Requiring the Public Service Commission to authorize a customer of a gas company or an electric company to purchase and install an analog meter; requiring the meter to comply with certain standards; requiring a gas company or an electric company to install the meter or allow certain persons to install the meter at the customer's request; providing that an analog meter may replace a different type of meter; prohibiting a gas company or an electric company from requiring the customer to install additional controls; etc.	Del. Glass	Introduced on February 9 2018 Action: 2018-02-09 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-15 - Hearing 3/15 at 1:00 p.m.
Utilities	HB 1387	Consumer Relations-Natural Gas Infrastructure-Notice of Work	Requiring a natural gas company to provide prior notice of certain work on natural gas infrastructure by advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation, on two types of social media, and on the gas company's website; and requiring a natural gas company to maintain a record of certain notice.	Del. Clippinger & Del. Lewis	Introduced on February 9 2018 Action: 2018-02-09 - First Reading Economic Matters Action: 2018-03-01 - Hearing 3/01 at 1:00 p.m.
Utilities	SB 397	Public Utilities - Apartment Houses and Commercial Buildings - Service Charges	Altering the amount of a certain additional service charge that an owner, an operator, or a manager of an apartment house, an office, or a shopping center may collect to cover certain administrative costs of installing submetering equipment for each dwelling unit or commercial rental unit that is not individually metered for gas or electricity, allocating the cost of each unit's consumption, and billing the cost to each unit; etc.	Sen. John Astle	Introduced on January 25 2018 Action: 2018-01-25 - First Reading Finance Action: 2018-02-06 - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.
Waste Management	HB 217	Prince George's County - Authority to Impose Fees for Use of Disposable Bags PG 420-18	Authorizing Prince George's County to impose, by law, a fee on certain retail establishments for use of disposable bags as part of a retail sale of products; limiting the amount of the fee to no more than 5 cents for each disposable bag used; and defining "disposable bag" as a plastic bag provided by a store to a customer at the point of sale.	House of Delegates Prince George's County Delegation Committee	Introduced on January 18 2018 Action: 2018-01-18 - First Reading Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

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Topic	Resolution	Bill	Title	Description	Councilmember	CEEPC Position	Status / Hearings
Electric Vehicles		B 220096	Electric Vehicle Public Infrastructures Expansion Act Of 2017	As introduced, this bill establishes the Electric Vehicle Charging Station Pilot Program which will place at least 15 publically-available electric vehicle charging stations in the District by January 1, 2019. The bill requires DDOT to transmit a publicly-available report to the Council regarding the results of the program and issuing recommendations based on its findings by July 1, 2019.	Cnc. Mary Cheh		Engrossed on December 5 2017 Action: 2018-01-09 - Final Reading CC Action: 2018-01-23 - Transmitted to Mayor, Response Due on February 6, 2018 Action: 2018-02-06 - Signed with Act Number A22-0249