

Climate and Energy Legislation

Status as of 2/7/2013

Bill #	Title	Summary	Position	Status/Notes
VIRGINIA				
HB 1917	Electric utilities; renewable thermal energy	Includes solar thermal energy in the state's Renewable Portfolio Standard (for residential, commercial, industrial, and institutional applications). Currently, only thermal energy produced by industrial CHP plants is included.	Support	*Passed House (93-Y 2-N 1-A)
SB 1023	Electric utility regulation; exemption for purchases from renewable energy sellers.	Excludes renewable energy sellers from regulation as a public utility and enables Power Purchase Agreements .	Support	*Passed Senate (39-Y 0-N)
MARYLAND				
HB 226 / SB 275	Maryland Offshore Wind Energy Act of 2013	Altering the Maryland renewable energy portfolio standard program to include a specified amount of offshore wind energy	Support	Committee Hearings in House Economic Matters and Senate Finance
HB 0103	School Buildings - Solar Technology - Design Development Documents	Requires the Board of Public Works to adopt regulations that include information relating to use of solar technology during the construction or renovation of school buildings.	Support	Hearing Weds 2/06 at 1:00 p.m. Health and Government Operations
HB 40	Residential Property Sales - Disclosure of Utility Consumption	Requires that the seller of a single family residential property displays or makes available utility information to prospective buyers. Authorizes a vendor to provide a home energy rating score.	Support	Hearing Thurs 2/07 at 1:00 p.m. Environmental Matters
HB 681	Maryland Energy Administration - Regulated Sustainable Energy Contract Program	Authorizing the Maryland Energy Administration to create program to provide residential renewable energy installations and residential energy efficiency measures to residential property owners under specified regulated sustainable energy contracts	TBD	Hearing 3/12 at 1:00 p.m. Ways and means
FEDERAL				
H.R. 469	Heat Island and Smog Reduction Act of 2013	Requires federal agencies to develop urban heat island reduction plans for facilities in ozone nonattainment areas that include increased tree cover and sun reflectivity	TBD	Introduced Feb 04, 2013
H.R. 472	Federal Cost Reduction Act of 2013	Reduces Federal energy consumption and costs through consolidation of data centers, reduction of printing, power purchase agreements, energy savings contracts, advanced metering, establishing the Federal Facility Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Projects Fund, etc.	TBD	Introduced Feb 04, 2013