

According to Energy, the workload to administer the fund and implement the program is equivalent to 0.5 FTEs, which will result in an estimated annual expense of \$75,000. According to the agency, this role would encompass tasks such as developing and enforcing guidelines, reviewing grant applications, monitoring compliance with program requirements, overseeing fund allocation, and ensuring that all funded projects meet the established standards for installation, uptime, and maintenance. Because the bill stipulates that moneys in the Fund can be used solely for the provision of grants, additional funding for this position is needed.

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HB 1600, as passed by the House and Senate, includes \$1.5 million to capitalize the fund but does not include support for administrative costs.

**Other:** None.