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HOUSE BILL NO. 634

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 56-585.1:2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to electric utilities; pilot program for energy assistance and weatherization for certain individuals; cost recovery for certain electrical facilities.

 Patron—Kilgore

 Committee Referral Pending

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That § 56-585.1:2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:****§ 56-585.1:2. Pilot program for energy assistance and weatherization.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 56-249.6 and 56-585.1:

Each Phase I and II Utility shall conduct a pilot program for energy assistance and weatherization for ~~low income~~ *low-income*, elderly, and disabled individuals in their respective service territories in the Commonwealth. Each pilot program shall be funded by the utility and shall commence September 1, 2015. Each Phase I Utility shall continue such pilot program at no less than ~~the existing levels of funding as of July 1, 2018;~~ *\$1 million and no greater than \$1.5 million* for each year that the utility provides such service. Each Phase II Utility shall continue such pilot program at no less than \$13 million *and no greater than \$17 million* for each year the utility is providing such service. The funding for the pilot programs established pursuant hereto for energy assistance and weatherization for low-income, elderly, and disabled individuals in the service territory in the Commonwealth of each respective utility shall continue until ~~the earlier of amendment or repeal of this section or July 1, 2028~~ *2038*. Each such utility shall report on the status of its pilot program, including the number of individuals served thereby *and the amount of annual expenditures for such program*, to the Governor, the State Corporation Commission, *the Commission on Electric Utility Regulation*, the Chairman of the House Committee on Labor and Commerce, and the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor by July 1, 2016, ~~and of each year thereafter.~~

2. That a Phase II Utility, as defined in subdivision A 1 of § 56-585.1 of the Code of Virginia, may recover costs associated with any petition for cost recovery made pursuant to clause (iv) of subdivision A 6 of § 56-585.1 of the Code of Virginia that has been approved by the Commission as of December 1, 2038, notwithstanding any time limitations on such cost recovery under subdivision A 6 of § 56-585.1 of the Code of Virginia

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