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Overview

House File 2884 requires public utilities to develop, by February 1, 2015, a rate for recharging electric vehicles.

Section

1 216B.1614. Electrical vehicle charging tariff.

Subd. 1. Definitions.

Subd. 2. Required tariff. Requires each public utility to file a tariff with the Public Utilities Commission by February 1, 2015 under which a customer can purchase electricity to recharge an electric vehicle. The tariff must:

- contain a time-of-day or off-peak rate;
- allow a customer to choose to receive electricity entirely from renewable energy sources;
- be made available to the residential class; and
- include any metering costs.

Within 60 days of approval of the tariff by the commission, a public utility must offer it to customers.

Subd. 3. Data reporting. Requires a public utility to report to the commission the number of customers using the tariff, the amount of electricity sold under the tariff,

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and other data required by the commission.

Subd. 4. Cooperative electric associations and municipal utilities. Requires generation and transmission cooperatives and municipal power agencies, who sell wholesale electricity they generate to electric cooperatives and municipal utilities, to, by September 30, 2015, offer assistance to those customers in designing a rate that substantially complies with the requirements of subdivision 2, except these utilities are not required to offer retail customers an all-renewable electricity option.