



S.F. No. 1142 – Net Metering

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S.F. 1142 amends Minnesota Statutes, section 216B.164, which establishes net metering. Net metering requires a utility to pay customers for electricity that they produced but did not use.

Section 1 amends the definition of “capacity” to mean the number of megawatts alternating current that a qualifying facility is capable of producing.

Section 2 states that a qualifying facility that is interconnected to a public utility and has less than 40-kilowatt capacity may elect that the compensation for net input by the qualifying facility into the utility system is at the average retail utility energy rate.

Section 216B.164 allows for customers to be compensated through a kilowatt-hour credit on the customer’s energy bill that would be carried forward and applied to subsequent energy bills. Any kilowatt-hour credits carried forward by the customer cancel at the end of the calendar year.

The bill amends this provision to require a customer to be compensated for a canceled credit at the per kilowatt-hour rate.

