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IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

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RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Introduced By: Senators Rogers, Paolino, E Morgan, and de la Cruz

Date Introduced: January 16, 2026

Referred To: Senate Commerce

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 39-1 of the General Laws entitled "Public Utilities Commission" is
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **39-1-33.1. Report on electrification.**

4 The public utilities commission shall produce a report by January 1, 2027 and each January
5 1 thereafter, containing an analysis of the electric grid and its ability and/or capacity to handle the
6 electrification load needed to power cars, buildings, and heating of homes within the state. The
7 report shall be provided to the speaker of the house, the senate president, and the governor.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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- 1 This act would require the public utilities commission (PUC) to produce a report by
- 2 January 1, 2027 and each January 1 thereafter, on the ability of the current electric grid to handle
- 3 the electrification load needed to power cars, buildings, and heating of homes within the state and
- 4 provide the report to the speaker of the house, the senate president and the governor.
- 5 This act would take effect upon passage.

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