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SYNOPSIS

Excludes electricity supplied to recycled materials manufacturing facilities from renewable energy portfolio standards.



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AN ACT concerning electricity sold to recycled material
 manufacturing facilities, and supplementing P.L.1999, c.23
 (C.48:3-49 et seq.).

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:

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1. a. As used in this section:

9 "Recycled materials" means any item or commodity which is 10 manufactured or produced in whole or in part from post-consumer 11 waste material.

12 "Recycled materials manufacturing facility" means a facility 13 that: (1) receives service under an electric public utility rate at or 14 above 110 kilovolts delivery; (2) manufactures products made from 15 recycled materials, provided that not less than 90 percent of the 16 content of such products manufactured in the State meet the 17 definition of recycled materials; and (3) employs not less than 200 18 employees in the State.

19 b. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 38 of P.L.1999, 20 c.23 (C.48:3-87), or any rule, regulation, or board order adopted 21 pursuant thereto, to the contrary, an electric power supplier or basic 22 generation service provider shall be exempt from all renewable 23 energy portfolio standards obligations, including Class I RECs, 24 Class II RECs, S RECs, ORECs, or any other RECs, established 25 pursuant to section 38 of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-87) or any other 26 subsequent law, and any rule, regulation, or board order adopted 27 pursuant thereto, for all kilowatt hours of electricity supplied by 28 such electric power supplier or basic generation service provider to 29 a recycled materials manufacturing facility.

A recycled materials manufacturing facility shall not be required
to pay any charges designed to offset any renewable energy
portfolio standards obligation of its electric power supplier or basic
generation service provider, including Class I RECs, Class II RECs,
SRECs, ORECs, or any other RECS.

35 (2) For each electric power supplier or basic generation service 36 provider requesting the exemption established by paragraph (1) of 37 this subsection, the kilowatt hours of electricity sold to recycled 38 materials manufacturing facilities shall be subtracted from the total 39 kilowatt hours of electricity supplied to all customers in the State by 40 that electric power supplier or basic generation service provider 41 during that energy year such that the reduced total retail sales 42 number shall be used to calculate the renewable energy portfolio 43 standards obligation for each energy year.

(3) Each recycled materials manufacturing facility shall provide
its electric power supplier or basic generation provider with (a)
documentation establishing that it meets the definition of a recycled
materials manufacturing facility, and (b) a sworn affidavit which
certifies the number of kilowatt hours of electricity that the electric

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1 power supplier or basic generation provider sold to that recycled 2 materials manufacturing facility during that energy year. 3 (4) At the end of each energy year, each electric power supplier 4 or basic generation supplier shall (a) submit to the board the sworn 5 affidavit received from each recycled materials manufacturing 6 facility pursuant to paragraph (3) of this subsection, and (b) provide 7 this information on the Retail Sales Adjustment Form that every 8 electric power supplier and basic generation provider is required to 9 submit to the board at the end of each energy year. 10 (5) The provisions of this subsection shall apply to all electricity 11 sold to recycled materials manufacturing facilities beginning on 12 January 1, 2022. 13 14 2. This act shall take effect immediately. 15 16 17 **STATEMENT** 18 This bill would revise the applicability of certain provisions of 19 20 the "Electric Discount and Energy Competition Act," P.L.1999, 21 c.23 (C.48:3-49 et al.), concerning energy sold to recycled materials 22 manufacturing facilities. 23 The bill provides that an electric power supplier or basic 24 generation service provider would be exempt from all current and 25 future renewable energy portfolio standards obligations, including 26 Class I RECs, Class II RECs, SRECs, ORECs, or any other RECs, 27 established pursuant to section 38 of P.L.1999, c.23 (C.48:3-87) or 28 any other subsequent law, and any rule, regulation, or board order 29 adopted pursuant thereto, for the amount of kilowatt hours of electricity supplied by that electric power supplier or basic 30 31 generation service provider to a recycled materials manufacturing 32 facility. The bill also specifies that a recycled materials 33 manufacturing facility would not be required to pay any charges 34 designed to offset any renewable energy portfolio standards 35 obligation of its electric power supplier or basic generation service provider. The provisions of the bill would apply to all electricity 36 37 sold to recycled materials manufacturing facilities beginning on 38 January 1, 2022. 39 The bill defines "recycled materials manufacturing facility" as a 40 facility that: (1) receives service under an electric public utility rate 41 at or above 110 kilovolts delivery; (2) manufactures products made 42 from recycled materials, provided however, that not less than 90 43 percent of the content of such products produced in this State meet 44 the definition of recycled materials; and (3) employs not less than 45 200 employees in this State. "Recycled materials" means any item 46 or commodity which is manufactured or produced in whole or in 47 part from post-consumer waste material.