



2025-2026 General Assembly

SENATE BILL 445: Regulatory Reform Act of 2026, Secs. 30-33: Guaranteed Energy Savings Contracts – Reform and Recodification.

Analysis of: S.L. 2026-59, Secs. 30-33

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Section 30 of S.L. 2026-59 (Senate Bill 445) creates a new Part 3 in Article 3B of Chapter 143 entitled "Guaranteed Energy Savings Contracts" and recodifies existing law from Part 2 of that Article, "Energy Saving Measures for Governmental Units." This section also requires a governmental unit to issue requests for qualifications (RFQ) before entering a guaranteed energy savings contract, set minimum requirements for that RFQ, establish criteria for selecting a qualified provider, and follow other procedures concerning the review and selection of a qualified provider, including mandatory review by the State Energy Office.

Sections 31 and 32 of S.L. 2026-59 (Senate Bill 445) makes conforming changes.

Section 33 of S.L. 2026-59 (Senate Bill 445) requires the Department of Environmental Quality to adopt temporary rules and permanent rules to implement these changes.

Sections 30 through 33 of the act became effective August 11, 2026.

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