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HOUSE BILL NO. 1726

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE KIDD.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 386, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to renewable power purchase agreements.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 386, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be 2 known as section 386.902, to read as follows:

386.902. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Commission", the Missouri public service commission;
- 3 (2) "Contract customer", a person or corporation, including affiliates and 4 subsidiaries, who executes or will execute a renewable energy contract with a renewable 5 energy facility owner;
- 6 (3) "Qualified utility", a contract under this section between a renewable energy 7 facility owner and a contract customer for the delivery of electricity from one or more 8 renewable energy facilities to a contract customer requiring the use of the qualified utility's 9 transmission or distribution system to deliver the electricity from a renewable energy 10 facility to the contract customer;
- (4) "Renewable energy facility", a facility for the production of electrical energy
 that utilizes a renewable energy resource as defined in subdivision (5) of section 393.1025
 and does not include an electric generating facility whose costs have been included in a
 qualified utility's rates as a facility providing electric service to the qualified utility's
 system.
- 162. Within sixty days after receiving a request from a contract customer, and subject17to reasonable credit requirements, a qualified utility shall approve the use of its

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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18 transmission or distribution system, pursuant to a renewable energy contract to supply

19 some or all of the customer's electric service from one or more renewable energy facilities

20 selected by the contract customer.

A renewable energy contract may provide for electricity to be delivered to a
 contract customer:

(1) From one renewable energy facility to a contract customer's single metered
 delivery location;

(2) From multiple renewable energy facilities to a contract customer's single
 metered delivery location;

(3) From one or more renewable energy facilities to a single contract customer's
 multiple metered delivery locations; or

(4) From one or more renewable energy facilities to a single contract customer for
 distribution to multiple qualified utility customers' metered delivery locations.

4. To be eligible for service under this section, a contract customer shall meet a
minimum annual peak demand of one megawatt.

5. A single contract customer may aggregate multiple metered delivery locations
 to satisfy the minimum megawatt limit under subsection 4 of this section.

6. Electricity generated by a renewable energy facility and delivered to a contract
 customer under a renewable energy contract shall not be included in a net metering
 program under section 386.890.

7. The pricing and duration of the contract for the electricity to be sold from the
renewable energy facility shall be determined by negotiation between the renewable energy
facility's owner and the contract customer.

8. The contract customer shall be responsible for any incremental costs required
for delivery of the electricity from the renewable energy facility to the transmission system
granted by the transmission organization of which the qualified utility is a member.

44 **9.** The qualified utility shall:

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(1) Contract with the renewable energy facility's owner;

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47 (3) Sell such electricity to the contract customer or customers under renewable
48 energy contracts with the same duration and pricing as the contract between the qualified
49 utility and the owner of the electricity to be sold from the renewable energy facility.

(2) Purchase electricity for resale to one or more contract customers; and

50 10. The qualified utility shall not be held responsible for costs related to customer
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52 11. The right to any environmental attribute associated with a renewable energy 53 facility shall remain the property of the renewable energy facility's owner, except to the 54 extent that a contract to which the owner is a party provides otherwise.

55 12. Within ninety days of the effective date of this section, a qualified utility shall 56 file for approval by the commission or the governing body for other electric utilities a 57 "Renewable Real Time Pricing Program" tariff to provide service subject to this section. 58 A qualified utility shall charge a contract customer for all metered electric service delivered 59 to the contract customer under this program and the tariff shall include rates as 60 determined by the commission or the governing body for other electric utilities for the 61 recovery of:

62 (1) Reasonable administrative costs;

(2) Cost-based distribution service;

64 (3) Cost-based transmission service;

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(4) Cost-based monthly generation capacity service; and

66 (5) Supplemental energy service for any kilowatt-hours of electricity contracted for 67 delivery but not delivered from the renewable energy facility, priced at the hourly 68 locational marginal price of the applicable regional transmission organization hub for the 69 qualified utility, or at a separately negotiated and agreed upon rate by the qualified utility 70 and contract customer.

13. A qualified utility shall charge a contract customer the applicable generation
 charges, including those in base rates, riders, or surcharges, only for electricity delivered
 to the contract customer not pursuant to a renewable energy contract.

14. A contract customer shall be served under the renewable real time pricing program for the duration of the executed renewable energy contract. Repeal or amendment of this section shall not abrogate the rights and obligations of the contract customer and qualified utility under an executed renewable energy contract.

78 15. A renewable energy facility is not a public utility as defined by subdivision (43)
79 of section 386.020.

80 16. The commission or the governing body for other electric utilities may 81 promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the provisions of this section. 82 Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created 83 under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with 84 and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. 85 This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the 86 general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to 87 disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of HB 1726

- 88 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2016, shall be
- 89 invalid and void.