The “Clean Energy DC Omnibus Amendment Act of 2018” (“Omnibus”) is projected to reduce GHGs in 2032 to 45% below the 2006 baseline. The Act contains six major provisions:

1. **100% RPS BY 2032: THE MOST AMBITIOUS RENEWABLES STANDARD IN THE U.S.**

The bill increases DC’s Renewable Portfolio Standard (“RPS”) on electricity from its previous mandate of 50% by 2032 to 100% by 2032. By 2041, 10% of the target must be met by local solar.

Under this bill, Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) can be sourced from only the PJM interconnection region. The previous option to source from neighboring states was repealed in order to better finance new renewable energy development. For the same reason, nuclear cannot be counted toward the 100% requirement.

2. **INCREASED FUNDING FOR SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES & LOW INCOME EFFICIENCY**

To increase funding to DC’s new Green Finance Authority (or, “the DC Green Bank”) and strengthen energy assistance for low-income residents, this bill marginally increases the Sustainable Energy Trust Fund (“SETF”) fee for electricity and natural gas consumption. The SETF will continue funding the DC Sustainable Energy Utility (DCSEU) to reduce the Districts’ overall energy use by 1% per year, and substantially increases the amount of funding available to the DCSEU. The bill also newly assesses a fee on sales of heating and fuel oil at a rate of $0.084 per gallon. These adjustments will result in:

- 30% of revenues to create energy efficiency and clean energy training programs for DC residents and fund low-income energy efficiency projects and programs, including bill assistance, weatherization, and fuel-switching
- $3 million annually to support energy projects for affordable housing buildings
- Less than a $1 increase to residents’ monthly electric bills and about a $2 increase to monthly gas bills, offset by more than $25/month in savings from efficiency by 2032
- Adding $70M to the DC Green Bank by 2025 to leverage private investment and reduce upfront costs of clean energy projects

3. **EXPANDING AGENCY CLIMATE COMMITMENTS**

The Omnibus amends the original charter and responsibilities of the Public Service Commission (PSC) and the Office of the People’s Counsel (OPC) to incorporate the “effects on global climate change and the District’s public climate commitments” in their decisions.

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This legislation directs the DC Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to issue rules that make the District’s vehicle excise tax amount dependent upon fuel efficiency, therefore incentivizing the purchase of fuel-efficient vehicles. This initiative aspires to be revenue neutral: increased revenue from vehicle excise tax rates on high emissions vehicles will be offset by decreased payments from consumers who purchase more fuel-efficient vehicles.

The bill also authorizes the Mayor to establish a GHG emissions fee on motor fuel if Maryland or Virginia do so, and to join in any forthcoming regional transportation-sector GHG reduction initiatives. The Mayor must establish a transportation electrification program applicable to all owners of fleet vehicles with more than 50 vehicles licensed to operate in the District, including public buses, passenger- and light-duty vehicles. Moreover, the bill requires that 100% of commercial motor carriers, limousine service vehicles, and taxis certified to operate in DC be zero-emissions vehicles by 2045.

To achieve the energy efficiency and zero-emissions transit goals established in the bill, the Omnibus also establishes working groups to develop and propose both energy efficiency and electric vehicle programs to the PSC. In this process, Pepco will participate alongside consumer advocates, agencies, and business leaders to recommend programs that best protect ratepayers and promote innovation, all while achieving our climate goals.

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