



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5223**

LCO No. 675



Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by:

REP. MICHEL, 146th Dist.  
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**AN ACT REQUIRING OFFSHORE WIND DEVELOPERS TO ESTABLISH A COMPENSATION FUND.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to require that developers of
- 2 offshore wind facilities providing energy to electric customers in the
- 3 state establish a fund that will provide compensation if (1) construction
- 4 or operation of the facilities damages the marine environment or
- 5 fisheries, or (2) the developers create fewer jobs than promised in any
- 6 agreement with the state or a state-regulated electric distribution
- 7 company.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require offshore wind energy developers to create a fund that will compensate for negative impacts to fisheries and the environment, as well as compensate for not creating the number of jobs agreed to in their contracts.