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Public Act No. 21-139

AN ACT INCREASING REPRESENTATION ON THE ENERGY CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT BOARD.

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

Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 16-245m of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(c) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall appoint and convene an Energy Conservation Management Board which shall include the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, or the commissioner's designee, the Consumer Counsel, or the Consumer Counsel's designee, the Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee, and a representative of: (1) An environmental group knowledgeable in energy conservation program collaboratives; (2) the electric distribution companies in whose territories the activities take place for such programs; (3) a state-wide manufacturing association; (4) a chamber of commerce; (5) a state-wide business association; (6) a state-wide retail organization; (7) a state-wide farm association; (8) a municipal electric energy cooperative created pursuant to chapter 101a; [and] (9) residential customers; (10) low-income residential customers; and (11) municipalities. The board shall also include two representatives selected by the gas companies. The

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members of the board shall serve for a period of five years and may be reappointed. Representatives of gas companies, electric distribution companies and the municipal electric energy cooperative shall be nonvoting members of the board. The members of the board shall elect a chairperson from its voting members. If any vote of the board results in an equal division of its voting members, such vote shall fail.