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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the immediately preceding version. It addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively. It does not list topics on which the two bills are substantively the same.

| Previous Version (I_134_1618-4) | Latest Version (I_134_1618-5, which engrosses amendments adopted on June 25, 2021) |
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| Public meeting prior to Power Siting Board (PSB) certificate or amendment application | |
| Requires a person, at least 90 days, but not more than <i>270 days</i> , before applying to the Power Siting Board (PSB) for a certificate, or a material amendment to a certificate, for a utility facility (economically significant wind farm, large wind farm, or large solar facility), to hold a public meeting in each county where the facility is to be located (<i>R.C. 303.61(A)</i>). | Requires the person to hold the public meeting at least 90 days, but not more than <i>300 days</i> , prior to applying to PSB for the certificate or amendment (<i>R.C. 303.61(A)</i>). |

| Previous Version (I_134_1618-4) | Latest Version (I_134_1618-5, which engrosses amendments adopted on June 25, 2021) |
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| Board of county commissioners: meeting notice regarding restricted area resolution | |
| No provision. | <p>Requires a board of county commissioners to do the following at least 30 days prior to a regular or special board meeting regarding discussion of a resolution to designate a restricted area prohibiting construction of any or all types of utility facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provide public notice of the date and time of the meeting once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county; ▪ Publicly post, at all of the county’s public libraries, a map showing the proposed restricted area boundaries; ▪ Provide written notice of the meeting, by first class mail, to all landowners owning a parcel that is within, or partially within, the proposed restricted area boundaries. <p><i>(R.C. 303.58(C)(1) and (2).)</i></p> |
| Board of county commissioners: meeting notice regarding restricted area resolution modifications | |
| No provision. | <p>Applies the meeting and notice requirements described above when a board of county commissioners plans to modify a previously adopted restricted area resolution <i>(R.C. 303.58(C)(3))</i>.</p> |
| PSB application acceptance requirements | |
| <p>Refers to <i>PSB</i> certificate and material amendment applications determined or not determined to be <i>complete and accepted by PSB</i> <i>(R.C. 4906.022 and 4906.31; Sections 3 to 5)</i>.</p> | <p>Changes the phrase <i>complete and accepted by the board</i> to the phrase <i>found to be in compliance with division (A) of section 4906.06 of the Revised Code by the chairperson of PSB or the chairperson’s designee and accepted by PSB</i> to clarify that the PSB chairperson, or the chairperson’s designee, not PSB, determines whether an application for a utility facility is complete and complies with the application requirements of PSB law <i>(R.C. 4906.022 and 4906.31; Sections 3 to 5)</i>.</p> |

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| PJM new services queue | |
| No provision. | Specifies that if, after the bill’s effective date, a large solar facility submits a new queue position for an increase in its capacity interconnection rights in order to participate in PJM’s capacity market, the facility is not subject to the bill’s restricted area and other provisions if the change to its capacity interconnection rights does not expand the facility’s nameplate capacity (<i>Section 4(D)</i>). |