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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 (As Referred by House Rules and Reference)	Latest Version (I_136_2863-4)
Data Center Study Commission membership	
Requires the Data Center Study Commission (Commission) to consist of the following members: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Three members appointed by the Governor;▪ Three members appointed by the Speaker of the House;▪ Three members appointed by the Senate President;▪ Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the House;	Requires the Commission to consist of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Three members appointed by the Governor as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▫ One member with knowledge of data center operations;▫ One member with knowledge of agriculture;▫ One member with knowledge of county government.▪ Five members appointed by the Speaker of the House as follows:

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate (<i>Section 1(B)(1)</i>). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ One member with knowledge of rural electric cooperatives; ▫ One member with knowledge of water and environmental impacts of data centers; ▫ One member with knowledge of townships; ▫ One member who is a member of the majority party of the House; ▫ One member who is a member of the minority party of the House. ▪ Five members appointed by the Senate President as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ One member with knowledge of municipalities; ▫ One member with knowledge of public utilities; ▫ One member with knowledge of economic development and tax incentives; ▫ One member who is a member of the majority party of the Senate; ▫ One member who is a member of the minority party of the Senate. (<i>Section 1(B)(1)</i>.)
Deadline to appoint members	
Requires Commission members to be appointed not more than 30 days after the bill's effective date (<i>Section 1(B)(2)</i>).	No provision.

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Commission Co-chairpersons	
No provision.	Requires the Commission members who are members of the majority party of the House and Senate to serve as Co-chairpersons of the Commission (<i>Section 1(B)(2)</i>).
Commission member compensation	
Compensates Commission members at the rate of \$250 per Commission meeting (<i>Section 1(B)(5)</i>).	Provides that Commission members serve without compensation (<i>Section 1(B)(5)</i>).
Setting first Commission meeting	
Requires the Governor to set the date and time for the first Commission meeting (<i>Section 1(C)(1)</i>).	Requires the Co-chairpersons to set the date and time of the first Commission meeting (<i>Section 1(C)(1)</i>).
First meeting purposes	
Requires the Commission members to elect a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, and Secretary at the first meeting, and provides that the first meeting is for organizational purposes only (<i>Section 1(C)(1)</i>).	No provision.
Examination of data center impact on water	
Requires the Commission to examine data center water usage and impact on the local water supply (<i>Section 1(D)(3)</i>).	Adds that the Commission must also examine data center wastewater discharge (<i>Section 1(D)(3)</i>).
Commission report	
Requires the Commission to submit a report of its findings and any legislative recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly (<i>Section 1(E)</i>).	Does both of the following regarding the Commission report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Expressly specifies that the report must be issued under the current law that generally applies concerning the submission

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	of reports, recommendation, or other documents to the General Assembly; <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Adds that the report must include nonbinding best practices and considerations as a guide for local decisionmaking bodies (<i>Section 1(E)</i>).
Emergency clause	
Declares the bill as an emergency that goes into immediate effect (<i>Section 2</i>).	No provision.