

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS, UTILITIES, AND ENERGY

BILL SUMMARY

BILL NO. H.3482

TITLE: An Act regulating the location of generation facilities

SPONSOR: Representative Michelle M. DuBois

COMMITTEE: Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy

HEARING DATE: October 9, 2025

PRIOR HISTORY: 2023-2024: H.3695, sent to study
2021-2022: H.3293, heard by committee; no further action taken.

CURRENT LAW:

Chapter 164 of the General Laws pertains to the manufacture and sale of gas and electricity.

SUMMARY:

This bill would prohibit a natural gas or diesel generating facility from being located less than one mile from an environmental justice community, playground, licensed day-care center, school, church, area of critical environmental concern, or residential housing. Repairs or replacement that do not increase megawatts generated in any generation facility in operation prior to January 1, 2017 shall not be subject to this section.