

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS, UTILITIES, AND ENERGY**

**BILL SUMMARY**

**BILL NO.** H.3497

**TITLE:** An Act relative to a renewable portfolio standard review

**SPONSOR:** Representative Jessica Ann Giannino

**COMMITTEE:** Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy

**HEARING DATE:** October 16, 2025

**PRIOR HISTORY:** New File

**CURRENT LAW:**

The Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard is a mandate for utilities and competitive suppliers in Massachusetts to serve ratepayers with a certain percentage of renewable energy. In 2020 the RPS was 16%. It will increase by 2% until 2029 and will reach 35% in 2030. The *Next-Generation Roadmap* bill increased it to 40% by 2030 and 1% annually thereafter.

**SUMMARY:**

This legislation directs the DOER and DEP to review and analysis the renewable portfolio standard (RPS) in MA. The review shall look into its effectiveness and identify ways to improve it in order to help extend to development of renewable energy in MA. A report shall be given to Joint Committee on TUE and the Houe & Senate Clerks Office no later than 12 months after enactment.