

Subject Community energy transition grant program

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Overview

Makes modifications to the community energy transition grant program that was enacted in 2020. Broadens the program to include communities where the operating license of the local power plant expires before August 1, 2035, and allows grant awards to be made on a rolling basis. Appropriates \$5,000,000 for grants under the program.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Definitions. Expands the program to include communities where a coal, nuclear energy, or natural gas powered electric generating power plant owned by a public utility is currently operating, but where the current operating license expires before August 1, 2035.
2	Grant awards; limitations. Removes the requirement that awards be granted through a competitive grant process. Allows the commissioner to instead accept grant applications on an ongoing or rolling basis. Specifies that the maximum grant for a community is \$500,000 per calendar year.
3	Appropriation; community energy transition grants. Makes a onetime appropriation of \$5,000,000 in fiscal year 2023 from the general fund for the community energy transition grant program. Keeps these funds available until expended.