

I-2072 Cannabis Crime Shred Initiative

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Statement of Subject: Initiative Measure No. 2072 concerns marijuana, cannabis, and fentanyl narcotics, and related electricity theft.

Concise Description: This measure would require power companies to disclose records and provide exclusive electrical transformers to residential-zoned customers who experience power diversion; provide penalties for violations; prohibit certain immunities and require electricity- theft related prosecutions.

Should this measure be enacted into law? **Yes** **No**

Ballot Measure Summary:

This measure would require power companies to provide exclusive electrical transformers to customers and property owners who experience power diversions and to make disclosures and repairs following incidents of electrical theft; fine power companies for certain violations; prohibit certain immunity declarations; require prosecutions of certain crimes related to electricity theft; and require some property owners living near certain marijuana or cannabis facilities to be considered in various energy plans.

INITIATIVE PETITION FOR SUBMISSION TO THE PEOPLE OF WASHINGTON STATE

To the Honorable Steve Hobbs,
Secretary of State of the State of Washington

We, the undersigned citizens and legal voters of the State of Washington, respectfully direct that this petition and the proposed measure known as Initiative Measure 2072, and entitled, "Initiative Measure 2072" concerns marijuana, cannabis, and fentanyl narcotics, and related electricity theft. This measure would require power companies to disclose records and provide exclusive electrical transformers to residential-zoned customers who experience power diversion; provide penalties for violations; prohibit certain immunities and require electricity- theft related prosecutions. A full, true, and correct copy of which is printed on the reverse side of this petition, be submitted to the legal voters of the State of Washington for their approval or rejection at the general election to be held on the 5th day of November, 2024; and each of us for himself or herself says: I have personally signed this petition; I am a legal voter of the State of Washington in the city (or town) and county written after my name, my residence address is correctly stated, and I have knowingly signed this petition only once.

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PETITION GATHERER, SIGN HERE!

I, _____ swear or affirm under penalty of law that I circulated this sheet of the foregoing petition, and that, to the best of my knowledge, every person who signed this sheet of the foregoing petition knowingly and without any compensation or promise of compensation willingly signed his or her true name and that the information provided therewith is true and correct. I further acknowledge that under chapter 29A.84 RCW, forgery of signatures on this petition constitutes a class C felony, and that offering any consideration or gratuity to any person to induce them to sign a petition is a gross misdemeanor, such violations being punishable by fine or imprisonment or both. RCW 9A.46.020 applies to any conduct constituting harassment against a petition signature gatherer. This penalty does not preclude the victim from seeking any other remedy otherwise available under law.
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Text reads as follows:

AN ACT Relating to exclusive electric power transformer supply for residential zoned dwellings; amending RCW 80.--.---; adding a new chapter to Title 80 RCW; creating new sections; and prescribing penalties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. The people find that:

(1) Chapter 351, Laws of 2024, the Washington decarbonization act for large combination utilities act, promises results that are unlikely to be delivered as utility providers have not secured safety for all customers. The conflict of interest has not subsided, with power companies allowing the growers, producers, and processors of marijuana, cannabis and fentanyl narcotics in residential zoned communities to divert power lines, and power meters that result in erroneous readings, initiating fires, and health hazards;

(2) Marijuana, cannabis and fentanyl narcotics growers, producers, and processors in Washington state residential dwellings have created an emergency;

(3) Initiative Measure No. 502 enacted in 2012 has resulted in an increase of illicit narcotic abuse and death for men and women of all ages;

(4) Nefarious actions by illegal marijuana, cannabis and fentanyl narcotics growers, processors, and producers prevent the power companies from providing fair rates to all customers as promised in chapter 19.405 RCW, the Washington clean energy transformation act, and chapter 70A.65 RCW, the Washington climate commitment act;

(5) Power companies under this act must provide all records to their customers following an incident of power theft investigation by police. Electricity is essential for industries and residential dwellings in Washington state. Criminal electricity theft associated with bypassing power meters to grow marijuana, cannabis and fentanyl narcotics has continued within residential zoned neighborhoods. Most power transformers are shared with adjoining properties in residential neighborhoods. The offending criminals cause electricity disruptions for homeowners. In addition, the criminals avoid licensing requirements, quality control, and taxation. The power company supplying electricity for normal residential use is standard for all real property owners and is expected to be supplied in an uninterrupted manner; and

(6) Unlawful marijuana, cannabis and fentanyl narcotics abuses overload the transformer and burn it beyond repair, which results in power loss to the neighboring residents for many days thereafter. All power supply companies within Washington state providing electricity to customers within residential zoned areas must warrant to their customers exclusive transformer designation when power meter diversions are revealed in police report incidents. The power company must supply the labor and materials at no expense to the homeowner and ensure that the transformer is exclusive and safe for the customer and resident homeowner. Failure by the power company to disclose the records of violations, and failure to provide the safe exclusive transformers following a power theft incident, will subject the power company to a \$2,000 fine held in the Washington state department of transportation escrow to support roadway cleanup at and around highways and bridges.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. Federal laws exist for electricity theft and Schedule I and II narcotics and the people intend to prevent the unlawful theft of electricity. Utility companies, utility districts, contractors, and agents cannot declare immunity. Moreover, the governor, utility company associates, real estate brokers, legal counsel, county councilmembers, county executives, city councilmembers, city mayors, state representatives, legislators, or subcontractors cannot declare immunity, and must be prosecuted for aiding in the crime of electricity theft. Specifically, when the Washington state patrol or another enforcement agency tip line is used to identify narcotic electricity crime and the tip has not been properly pursued by the utility company or its partners or associates, then the burden of proof is on the utility company to determine the company's intent not to act in accordance with federal and state law.

Sec. 3. RCW 80.--.--- and 2024 c 351 s 2 are each amended to read as follows: The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

(1) "Carbon dioxide equivalent" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 70A.65.010.

(2) "Combined heat and power" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 19.280.020.

(3) "Commission" means the utilities and transportation commission.

(4) "Conservation and efficiency resources" means any reduction in electric or natural gas consumption that results from increases in the efficiency of energy use, production, transmission, transportation, or distribution.

(5) "Cost effective" means that a project or resource is, or is forecast to:

(a) Be reliable and available within the time it is needed; and

(b) Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and meet or reduce the energy demand or supply an equivalent level of energy service to the intended customers at an estimated long-term incremental system cost no greater than that of the least-cost similarly reliable and available alternative project or resource, or any combination thereof, including the cost of compliance with chapter 70A.65 RCW, based on the forward allowance ceiling price of allowances approved by the department of ecology under RCW 70A.65.160.

(6) "Costs of greenhouse gas emissions" means the costs of greenhouse gas emissions established in RCW 80.28.395 and 80.28.405.

(7) "Delivery system" includes any power line, pipe, equipment, apparatus, mechanism, machinery, instrument, or ancillary facility used by a large combination utility to deliver electricity or gas for ultimate consumption by a customer of the large combination utility.

(8) "Demand flexibility" means the capacity of demand-side loads to change their consumption patterns hourly or on another timescale.

(9) "Electrical company" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 80.04.010.

(10)(a) "Electrification" means the installation of energy efficient electric end-use equipment.

(b) Electrification programs may include weatherization and conservation and efficiency measures.

(11) "Electrification readiness" means upgrades or changes required before the installation of energy efficient electric end-use equipment to prevent heat loss from homes including, but not limited to: Structural repairs, such as roof repairs, preweatherization, weatherization, and electrical panel and wiring upgrades.

(12) "Emissions baseline" means the actual cumulative greenhouse gas emissions of a large combination utility, calculated pursuant to chapter 70A.65 RCW, for the five-year period beginning January 1, 2015, and ending December 31, 2019.

(13) "Emissions reduction period" means one of five periods of five calendar years each, with the five periods beginning on January 1st of calendar years 2030, 2035, 2040, 2045, and 2050, respectively.

(14) "Emissions reduction target" means a targeted reduction of projected cumulative greenhouse gas emissions of a large combination utility approved by the commission for an emissions reduction period that is at least as stringent as the limits established in RCW 70A.45.020.

(15) "Gas company" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 80.04.010.

(16) "Geographically targeted electrification" means the geographically targeted transition of a portion of gas customers of the large combination utility with an intent to electrify loads of such customers and, in conjunction, to reduce capital and operational costs of gas operations of the large combination utility serving such customers.

(17) "Greenhouse gas" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 70A.45.010.

(18) "Highly impacted community" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 19.405.020.

(19) "Integrated system plan" means a plan that the commission may approve, reject, or approve with conditions pursuant to section 3 of this act.

(20) "Large combination utility" means a public service company that is both an electrical company and a gas company that serves more than 800,000 retail electric customers and 500,000 retail gas customers in the state of Washington as of June 30, 2024. dioxide, and the need for security of supply.

(21) "Low-income" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 19.405.020.

(22) "Lowest reasonable cost" means the lowest cost mix of demand-side and supply side resources and decarbonization measures determined through a detailed and consistent analysis of a wide range of commercially available resources and measures. At a minimum, this analysis must consider long-term costs and benefits, market-volatility risks, resource uncertainties, resource dispatchability, resource effect on system operation, the risks imposed on the large combination utility and its ratepayers, public policies regarding resource preference adopted by Washington state or the federal government, the cost of risks associated with environmental effects including potential spills and emissions of carbon.

(23) "Multiyear rate plan" means a multiyear rate plan of a large combination utility filed with the commission pursuant to RCW 80.28.425.

(24) "Natural gas" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 19.405.020.

(25) "Nonemitting electric generation" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 19.405.020.

(26) "Nonpipeline alternative" means activities or investments that delay, reduce, or avoid the need to build, upgrade, or repair gas plant, such as pipelines and service lines.

(27) "Overburdened community" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 70A.65.010.

(28) "Overgeneration event" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 19.280.020.

(29) "Renewable resource" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 19.405.020.

(30) "Supply side resource" means, as applicable: (a) Any resource that can provide capacity, electricity, or ancillary services to the large combination utility's electric delivery system; or (b) any resource that can provide conventional or nonconventional gas supplies to the large combination utility's gas delivery system.

(31) "System cost" means actual direct costs or an estimate of all direct costs of a project or resource over its effective life including, if applicable: The costs of transmission and distribution to the customers; waste disposal costs; permitting, siting, mitigation, and end-of-cycle decommissioning and remediation costs; fuel costs, including projected increases; resource integration and balancing costs; and such quantifiable environmental costs and benefits and other energy and nonenergy benefits as are directly attributable to the project or resource, including flexibility, resilience, reliability, greenhouse gas emissions reductions, and air quality.

(32) "Vulnerable populations" has the same meaning as provided in RCW 19.405.020 and all real property owners subjected to crime and hazards living next to or adjoining a marijuana, cannabis facility known to have a history of growing, producing, manufacturing, and selling cannabis-schedule I and II narcotics unlawfully.

(33) "Electricity theft" means diverting, altering, or bypassing any power meter designated for regular power supply use and monitored by the local utility district or power company for residential and commercial power. "Electricity theft" is committed by the growers, manufacturers, and processors of cannabis and cannabis marijuana, cannabis or schedule I and II narcotics-related products to remain undetected by law enforcement officials.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Sections 1 and 2 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 80 RCW.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. This act may be known and cited as the exclusive electric transformer act.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. This act must be liberally construed to carry out its policies, purposes, and intent.

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