

1 **Solar Power Utility Amendments**

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Raymond P. Ward**

Senate Sponsor:

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2 **LONG TITLE**

3 **General Description:**

4 This bill enacts new provisions related to net metering of electricity.

5 **Highlighted Provisions:**

6 This bill:

- 7 ▶ defines terms;
- 8 ▶ authorizes the Public Service Commission to establish an optional time-of-use export
- 9 pricing tariff for net metering customers;
- 10 ▶ requires differential pricing for customer-generated electricity based on time of day or
- 11 real-time market conditions;
- 12 ▶ establishes a minimum floor for export credits; and
- 13 ▶ provides customer protections including voluntary participation and retention of existing
- 14 options.

15 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

16 None

17 **Other Special Clauses:**

18 None

19 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

20 ENACTS:

21 **54-15-109**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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22 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

23 Section 1. Section **54-15-109** is enacted to read:

24 **54-15-109 . Optional time-of-use export pricing tariff.**

25 (1) As used in this section:

- 26 (a) "Export credit floor" means the minimum value at which an electrical corporation
- 27 shall credit a customer for excess customer-generated electricity under a time-of-use
- 28 export pricing tariff.

- 31           (b) "Real-time pricing" means pricing for customer-generated electricity that reflects the  
32           actual or near-actual wholesale market price of electricity at the time the electricity is  
33           delivered to the electrical corporation.
- 34           (c) "Seasonal time-of-use pricing" means pricing for customer-generated electricity that  
35           establishes predetermined credit rates for defined time periods based on historical or  
36           anticipated patterns of electricity demand, rather than actual wholesale market prices.
- 37           (d) "Time-of-use export pricing tariff" means a tariff approved by the commission that  
38           provides differential pricing for excess customer-generated electricity using seasonal  
39           time-of-use pricing or real-time pricing.
- 40       (2) The commission shall require each electrical corporation with a net metering program to  
41       make available to customers enrolling in or participating in the net metering program a  
42       time-of-use export pricing tariff as an optional alternative to the standard net metering  
43       tariff described in Section 54-15-104.
- 44       (3) The commission may approve one or more time-of-use export pricing tariffs.
- 45       (4) Each time-of-use export pricing tariff shall:
- 46           (a) use one of the following pricing methods:
- 47               (i) seasonal time-of-use pricing; or
- 48               (ii) real-time pricing;
- 49           (b) establish an export credit floor that is:
- 50               (i) not less than 60% of the applicable retail electricity rate; and
- 51               (ii) not less than zero;
- 52           (c) allow a customer participating in a net metering program to determine when the  
53           customer exports excess customer-generated electricity to the electrical corporation;  
54           and
- 55           (d) provide differential rates for crediting excess customer-generated electricity.
- 56       (5) A customer participating in a net metering program:
- 57           (a) may elect to participate in a time-of-use export pricing tariff on a voluntary basis;
- 58           (b) is not required to participate in a time-of-use export pricing tariff;
- 59           (c) may continue to participate in any other net metering tariff for which the customer is  
60           eligible under this chapter; and
- 61           (d) may change between tariff options in accordance with the terms and conditions  
62           established by the commission.
- 63       (6) An electrical corporation shall:
- 64           (a) provide clear written disclosure to a customer before the customer elects to

- 65           participate in a time-of-use export pricing tariff that explains:
- 66           (i) how the time-of-use export pricing tariff differs from the standard net metering
- 67           tariff;
- 68           (ii) the time periods and corresponding credit rates under the time-of-use export
- 69           pricing tariff;
- 70           (iii) the conditions under which the export credit floor applies; and
- 71           (iv) the customer's ability to return to the standard net metering tariff; and
- 72           (b) allow a customer participating in a time-of-use export pricing tariff to return to the
- 73           standard net metering tariff in accordance with terms and conditions established by
- 74           the commission.
- 75           (7) A time-of-use export pricing tariff:
- 76           (a) shall be compatible with metering equipment approved under Section 54-15-103; and
- 77           (b) may include provisions for coordination with battery storage systems or other energy
- 78           storage technologies.
- 79           (8) The commission shall establish a time-of-use export pricing tariff as required by this
- 80           section no later than six months after the effective date of this section.
- 81           (9) Nothing in this section:
- 82           (a) modifies or impairs the rights of a customer participating in a net metering program
- 83           under an existing tariff or rate schedule;
- 84           (b) requires a customer to change from an existing tariff or rate schedule; or
- 85           (c) affects the authority of the commission to determine costs and benefits under Section
- 86           54-15-105.1 or to establish charges, credits, or ratemaking structures under this
- 87           chapter.

88           Section 2. **Effective Date.**

89           This bill takes effect on May 6, 2026.