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91st Arkansas General Assembly: Arkansas Distributed Generation Act of 2017



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Representative Sabin introduced House Bill ("HB") 2027 which is titled The Arkansas Distributed Generation Act of 2017.

The purpose of HB 2027 is to:

- Increase the use of renewable energy resources in the state
- Regulate the use of distributed generation contracts

The bill would amend Arkansas Code Title 23, Chapter 18 to add an additional subchapter (11).

A focus of the legislation appears to be a requirement that electric utilities "include renewable energy resources as an integral part of their energy portfolios."

The bill includes defining terms such as:

- Distributed generation contract
- Electric utility
- Renewable electric generation facility
- Renewable energy generation credit
- Renewable energy resource

Also addresses are requirements for distributed generation contracts, net metering facilities, interconnection, and cost recovery.

The bill has been referred to the Joint Committee on Energy.

A copy of the bill can be downloaded here.