

MEMORANDUM

October 3, 2025

TO: Transportation & Environment (TE) Committee

FROM: Jim Ogorzalek, Legislative Attorney

SUBJECT: Expedited Bill 27-25, Environmental Sustainability - Community Choice
Aggregation (CCA) - Established

PURPOSE: Worksession

Council Staff proposes the following amendment to Expedited Bill 27-25, which clarifies the reference to the Maryland Code Public Utilities Article as it relates to the Community Choice Aggregator's requirements to achieve renewable energy performance standards under State law.

Under the amendment, the reference to Maryland Code § 7-703 of the Public Utilities Article is replaced with a reference to the entirety of Subtitle 7 of the Public Utilities Article. Whereas § 7-703 includes the specific renewable energy performance standards percentages, other sections within Subtitle 7 include relevant available methods of satisfying compliance with the renewable energy performance standards. This amendment clarifies the intent that the CCA have available to it the full legal mechanism set forth in Subtitle 7.

Amend lines 17–23 as follows:

- (c) The CCA must have the capacity to serve as the electricity supplier for all residential and small commercial electric customers, as defined in Maryland Code § 7-510.3 of the Public Utilities Article, as amended, in the County and provide to its customers a percentage of renewable content that exceeds the amount required by the State's renewable energy portfolio standards, as set forth in [[Maryland Code § 7-703]] Subtitle 7 of the Public Utilities Article of the Maryland Code, as amended, and applicable regulation.