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Synopsis of Senate Committee Amendments

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H.B. 264 of the 133rd General Assembly

Senate Energy and Public Utilities

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Ohio Air Quality Development Authority (OAQDA)

Administrative funding

- Beginning January 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2028, permits the Ohio Air Quality Development Authority (OAQDA) to use up to \$300,000 each fiscal year to pay for that year's administrative costs under the nuclear resource and renewable energy credit law enacted by H.B. 6 of the 133rd General Assembly.
- Specifies that up to \$150,000 of the funding may be provided from the Nuclear Generation Fund (the fund into which charges collected from electric distribution utility (EDU) customers are deposited to pay credits for nuclear generation) and \$150,000 provided from the Renewable Generation Fund (the fund into which charges collected from EDU customers are deposited to pay credits for certain renewable energy generation).
- Allows, for fiscal year 2021, amounts approved to be used for administrative costs incurred for both fiscal years 2020 and 2021 but prohibits the amount from exceeding \$300,000 per fiscal year.
- Requires Controlling Board approval before OAQDA may access the funds.

Energy credit application changes

- Requires OAQDA to accept, review, and approve a renewable energy credit application submitted by a qualifying renewable resource, if the application was submitted after the February 1, 2020, deadline but before March 1, 2020.

Megawatt report deadline changes

- Exempts a qualifying renewable resource from the requirement to submit its first quarterly report by April 7, 2020, if the resource's renewable energy credit application was approved by OAQDA as required under the bill.