

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SANDERS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT to amend the public service law, in relation to the development of uniform standards for the coloring of wind turbine rotor blades

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 138 of the public service law is
2 amended by adding a new paragraph (b-1) to read as follows:

3 (b-1) In addition to the uniform standards and conditions for the
4 siting, design, construction and operation of major renewable energy
5 facilities established pursuant to paragraph (a) of this subdivision,
6 the office shall establish in consultation with the department of envi-
7 ronmental conservation uniform standards and conditions for the coloring
8 of wind turbine rotor blades. The uniform standards and conditions
9 established pursuant to this paragraph shall be designed to avoid or
10 minimize, to the maximum extent practicable, any bird collisions arising
11 from the siting, design, construction and operation of a major renewable
12 energy facility utilizing wind turbines.

13 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
14 a determination has been made by the federal aviation administration to
15 allow for the coloring of wind turbine rotor blades; provided, however,
16 that:

17 (a) the office of renewable energy siting shall notify the legislative
18 bill drafting commission upon the occurrence of such determination made
19 by the federal aviation administration to allow for the coloring of wind
20 turbine rotor blades in order that the commission may maintain an accu-
21 rate and timely effective database of the official text of the laws of
22 the state of New York in furtherance of effecting the provisions of
23 section 44 of the legislative law and section 70-b of the public offi-
24 cers law; and

25 (b) the amendments to subdivision 1 of section 138 of the public
26 service law made by section one of this act shall not affect the repeal
27 of such section and shall be deemed repealed therewith.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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