

SECTION 9: LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Updates on 2023 Legislation

In 2023, multiple pieces of legislation were enacted directing PURA to participate in or complete a number of tasks by certain dates. Table 11 below summarizes each of these bill’s requirement(s) of PURA, and the progress made since their passage.

Table 15: 2023 Legislation Relevant to PURA

Act	Title	Tasks Assigned to PURA	Effective Date	Progress
Public Act 23-199	An Act Concerning Notification of Utility Service Terminations at Certain Rental Properties	PURA shall prescribe a form and implementation date for the notification of utility service terminations following an uncontested proceeding with electric and gas companies, as well as other interested parties.	1/1/2024	PURA opened Docket No. 23-07-02, which was voted on favorably in December, outlining the processes and procedures related to the Public Act.
Public Act 23-102	An Act Strengthening Protections for Connecticut’s Consumers of Energy	Requires PURA to investigate and create an approval process for stakeholder compensation for traditionally underrepresented groups, including small businesses, environmental justice communities, or those receiving protection as hardship cases.	10/1/2023	PURA opened Docket No. 23-09-34. The Final Decision was released in January 2024 and provides the documents and instructions for applicants seeking compensation through the program.
Public Act 23-156	An Act Implementing Recommendations of the Hydrogen Task Force	Tasked PURA and DEEP with implementing the regulations of the Hydrogen Task Force.	7/1/2023	PURA provided informational testimony on this bill, HB 6851.

PURA Annual Reports to the General Assembly

Over the years, the State legislature has tasked PURA with providing annual reports to the General Assembly on various topics. Links to the final reports for 2023 are available in Table 12 below.

Table 16: 2023 PURA Reports to the State Legislature

Report Title	Codifying Act	Docket Number	Submission Date	Due Date
2023 PURA Report to the General Assembly Regarding the Electric Efficiency Partners Program	Public Act 07-242	23-02-02	2/8/2023	2/15/2023
2022 PURA Report to the General Assembly Regarding the State of Electric Competition	Public Act 17-64	22-11-01	3/29/2023	4/1/2023
2023 PURA Report to the General Assembly Concerning Lost and Unaccounted for Gas	Public Act 14-152	23-03-02	6/21/2023	7/1/2023
Annual Electric Distribution Company Reliability and Resilience Framework Review	Public Act 12-148	23-08-09	12/13/2023	9/1/2023
The Public Utilities Regulatory Authority's Study of the Operations of Certified Third-Party Nonprofit Community Access Programming Providers	Special Act 22-23	22-06-26	12/15/2023	12/15/2023
PURA Investigation into Distribution System Planning of the Electric Distribution Companies – Building Blocks of Resource Adequacy and Clean Electric Supply: Legislative Report	Public Act 23-102	17-12-03RE10	2/1/2024	1/1/2024