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**Bill #57**  
**Environmental Goals and Climate Change Reduction Act**

CHANGES RECOMMENDED TO THE  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE ON BILLS

**PAGE 2, paragraph 7(b) - delete and substitute the following:**

(b) to support, strengthen and set targets for energy efficiency programming while prioritizing equitable access and benefits for low income and marginalized Nova Scotians by

(i) developing an energy efficiency resource standard in the next Provincial climate plan to cover all energy sources and savings attributable to Efficiency Nova Scotia activities,

(ii) developing a plan to eliminate oil heating in the Province by 2050 at the latest, with interim targets for fossil fuel savings and the number of buildings undergoing deep retrofits,

(iii) setting a minimum target of electricity demand-side management annual savings equal to one and a half per cent of sales, which may be increased by the Minister or by order of the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board when greater energy savings are considered cost-effective or complementary to achieve renewable energy targets and net-zero emissions, or considered to increase social and economic benefits within the Province, and

(iv) establishing a minimum budget for low-income energy efficiency programs designed to reduce energy poverty in all plans to meet energy efficiency resource standard requirements;