

# AMPLIFY Act: Automation Charge and Metering

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*Legislating Drafter Working Package — 33-bill modular AMPLIFY build*

**Legislating drafter file.** This chapter draft is designed to stand on its own and to support modular insertion into broader AMPLIFY stacks.

## Bill 18. AMPLIFY Act: Automation Charge and Metering

**Single subject.** Creation of a utility-style enterprise charge and metering framework for covered automation activity.

**Purpose.** Provide the main charge architecture.

### Draft structure

Section	Core draft direction
1. Short title	This act shall be known and may be cited as the “AMPLIFY Act: Automation Charge and Metering”.
2. Legislative declaration	The general assembly finds and declares that provide the main charge architecture.
3. Definitions	Definitions should be alphabetized, lowercase, and drafted in singular form unless a term of art requires otherwise.
4. Operative sections	Substantive rights, duties, approvals, or restrictions listed below.
5. Administration	Rulemaking, designation of administering authority, records, notices, and implementation mechanics.
6. Construction	Independent operation, severability, no implied repeal, and other necessary construction clauses.
7. Effective date	Effective date and any conditional clause required by filing strategy.

### Draft definitions

**covered automation activity.** an activity, output, service, or system use identified by law or rule as subject to the enterprise rate code.

**enterprise.** the Colorado consumer protection and automation mitigation enterprise or successor enterprise recognized by law.

**metering.** measurement or classification of covered activity for enterprise charging purposes.

### Draft operative provisions

#### Section 4. Enterprise authority

- The enterprise may establish and administer a utility-style rate code for covered automation activity, subject to the limits of this act and other applicable law.
- The enterprise shall maintain metering, auditing, and reporting systems sufficient to support the rate code.

#### Section 5. Charge framework

- Charges may be based on compute intensity, output volume, consequential decision volume, resource burden, or other measurable factors defined by law or rule.
- The rate code shall distinguish baseline charges, overlays, credits, offsets, and true-up mechanisms.

## Section 6. Construction

- This act shall be construed to maintain a service-and-mitigation nexus for enterprise charges and to avoid importing unrelated spending programs into the rate-setting chapter.

### Required construction clauses

- Independent operation. This act operates independently and remains effective whether or not any related measure or companion act is adopted.
- Severability. If any provision of this act or its application is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.
- Single-subject construction. This act shall be construed to embrace only the single subject described in its title and no separate subject shall be inferred from a remedy, definition, recordkeeping duty, funding mechanism, or construction clause that is necessarily and properly connected to that subject.
- Revenue and fee construction. Any money authorized by this act shall be construed and administered only in the manner and to the extent permitted by applicable constitutional and statutory limitations.

# **Annex and Effective-Date Integration**

## **Annex incorporation**

Annex A to this measure contains the rate-code schedules, multiplier tables, sector overlays, and true-up methodology authorized by this measure.

If a conflict arises between a narrative example and Annex A, Annex A controls to the extent of the conflict, provided the annex remains within the subject and authority granted by this measure.

## **Effective date and implementation**

This measure takes effect on the date declared by law following approval; except that charge collection may not begin until the administering authority certifies metering readiness, publishes the initial nexus statements, and adopts emergency continuity rules.

Day 1 provisions may establish the enterprise, appointment authority, continuity protocol authority, and startup-loan authority. Fee collection and active rate enforcement begin only on the staged implementation schedule authorized by this measure.