# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF VIETNAM

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#### LAW

#### AMENDMENTS TO LAW ON ECONOMICAL AND EFFICIENT USE OF ENERGY

Pursuant to the Constitution of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, amended by Resolution No. 203/2025/QH15;

The National Assembly of Vietnam hereby promulgates the Law on amendments to the Law on Economical and Efficient Use of Energy No. 50/2010/QH12, amended by Law No. 28/2018/QH14.

### Article 1. Amendments to Law on Economical and Efficient Use of Energy

- 1. Addition of Clause 10a after Clause 1; amendments to Clause 11; addition of Clauses 12, 13, and 14 after Clause 11 Article 3:
- "10a. *High energy efficiency level* refers to the energy efficiency level stipulated by competent state authorities for energy-using equipment and devices, encouraged for application during each specific period.
- 11. *Energy-saving products* include equipment, devices, and products with high energy efficiency, thermal-insulating construction materials that help reduce energy consumption in conformity with the technical regulations and standards prescribed by competent state authorities.
- 12. Energy service companies (ESCOs) refer to organizations that provide technical/financial services and solutions and implement investment projects on economical and efficient energy use under energy performance contracts. ESCOs include enterprises prescribed by enterprise laws and other organizations prescribed by relevant laws. Their business and investment activities shall comply with the law on enterprises, the law on investment, the law on public-private partnership investment, and other relevant laws.
- 13. *Energy performance contract* is established between a client and an ESCO, serving as grounds for the client to pay the ESCO upon implementation of a project on economical and efficient use of energy.
- 14. *Energy management certificate* refers to a certificate issued by the Ministry of Industry and Trade of Vietnam to a person who participates in and passes an energy manager training course."

- 2. Amendments to Article 5:
- a) Amendments to Clause 3:
- "3. Increase investment and use of diversified forms of mobilization of resources to promote scientific research, development, application of advanced technologies, innovation, digital transformation, and application of quality management systems and tools to enhance productivity and quality in the economical and efficient use of energy; develop renewable energy in conformity with the socio-economic conditions of Vietnam to ensure energy security and environmental protection. Strengthen control measures for sectors, professions, and fields with high energy intensity and high consumption of natural resources."
- b) Amendments to Clause 5 and addition of Clause 6 after Clause 5:
- "5. Encourage and support the development of energy services. Appropriately invest in public awareness campaigns and community support for the economical and efficient use of energy. Organize training programs to enhance professional capacity and update knowledge for organizations and individuals working in the energy-saving field, especially energy auditors and energy managers at key energy-using establishments. Encourage and support energy-using establishments to voluntarily enter agreements on the economical and efficient use of energy with state management authorities or energy suppliers managed or authorized by the State.
- 6. Ensure that the economical and efficient use of energy is a target in the national, provincial, and municipal socio-economic development plans, as well as the socio-economic development plans of key energy-using establishments. Provinces and cities shall, based on their socio-economic conditions, develop annual and 5-year plans for economical and efficient use of energy."
- 3. Addition of Clause 1a after Clause 1 Article 6:
- "1a. The resources for implementing activities concerning economical and efficient use of energy include the state budget, privatized funding, and other legal sources as prescribed by the law.".
- 4. Amendments to Article 7:

### "Article 7. Energy use statistics

Energy statistics shall be conducted in compliance with the law on statistics.".

- 5. Amendments to Clause 3 and addition of Clause 4 after Clause 3 Article 9:
- "3. The Minister of Industry and Trade of Vietnam shall promulgate energy use norms applicable to each industrial production sector, excluding the case prescribed in Clause 4 of this Article.

- 4. The Minister of Construction of Vietnam shall promulgate energy use norms applicable to the construction material production sector under the management of the Ministry of Construction of Vietnam."
- 6. Amendments to Article 13:
- a) Amendments to Points d and dd of Clause 1:
- "d) Hydropower plants shall adequately comply with the procedures for operating and utilizing reservoirs and inter-reservoirs approved by competent authorities, ensure safe power generation, and participate in water regulation for production and daily life in a proper, economical, and efficient manner;

Power transmission and distribution units shall develop specific programs, plans, norms, and road maps to reduce power losses in transmission and distribution systems, and inspect and supervise the underload and overload of power grid systems;";

- b) Amendments to Point g Clause 1:
- "g) Coal, oil, and gas extraction units shall assess the schemes for recovery and efficient use of energy resources and generated gas during extraction. Units transporting and distributing coal, oil, and gas shall assess schemes for the efficient use of energy sources and control losses during processing, production, transport, distribution, and storage in the supply systems of enterprises. Review and update of loss norms (for gasoline, oil, and coal) shall be conducted every five years at most.";
- b) Addition of Clause 3 after Clause 2:
- "3. The Minister of Industry and Trade of Vietnam shall promulgate regulations on self-consumption energy norms in energy production, transport, and distribution establishments. These establishments shall cooperate with the Ministry of Industry and Trade of Vietnam in developing the regulations on self-consumption energy norms."
- 7. Amendments to Clause 3 Article 18:
- "3. People's Committees at all levels shall consistently adopt measures to strictly manage and control the implementation of power-saving regulations in public lighting and conduct public lighting management within their jurisdiction".
- 8. Amendments to the opening sentence of Clause 1 Article 21:
- "1. The Ministry of Construction of Vietnam shall:"
- 9. Amendments to the opening sentence of Clause 1 Article 25:
- "1. The Ministry of Agriculture and Environment of Vietnam shall:"

- 10. Amendments to Clause 3 Article 30:
- "3. Provincial People's Committees shall inspect and handle violations related to the economical and efficient use of energy of state budget-funded agencies and units under their management.".
- 11. Amendments to Article 32:

### "Article 32. Key energy-using establishments

- 1. Key energy-using establishments are those that consume a large amount of energy annually, as prescribed by the Government of Vietnam.
- 2. Provincial People's Committees shall develop and promulgate lists of key energy-using establishments in their areas once every year and send them to the Ministry of Industry and Trade of Vietnam for consolidation."
- 12. Amendments to Article 33:
- a) Amendments to Point dd Clause 1:
- "dd) Apply energy management models as prescribed by the Minister of Industry and Trade of Vietnam. Maintain metering systems that meet specific standards, ensure the data accuracy to monitor and supervise the use of energy and collect statistics on the consumption and use of different types of energy, and prepare their energy balance sheets;";
- b) Amendments to Clause 2:
- "2. The Minister of Industry and Trade of Vietnam shall promulgate regulations on the development and implementation of annual and 5-year plans for the economical and efficient use of energy, stipulate annual and 5-year report forms, and apply energy management models appropriate to key energy-using establishments.".
- 13. Amendments to Clause 4 Article 34:
- "4. The Minister of Industry and Trade of Vietnam shall promulgate regulations on the implementation of energy audit, and the contents, training programs, inspection, supervision, and authority to issue, recognize, and revoke energy auditor certificates issued by training institutions."
- 14. Amendments to Article 35:
- a) Amendments to Point d Clause 2:
- "d) Inspect and supervise the implementation of measures for economical and efficient use of energy; monitor and supervise energy use demands and norms;";

- b) Amendments to Clause 3:
- "3. The Minister of Industry and Trade of Vietnam shall stipulate the contents, training programs, inspection and supervision procedures, issuing authority, issuance authorization, recognition, reissuance, and revocation of energy management certificates, as well as their validity periods. The Ministry of Industry and Trade of Vietnam shall publish plans and lists of training institutions on its web portal."
- 15. Amendments to the title of Chapter IX:

### "Chapter IX

# MANAGEMENT OF ENERGY-USING EQUIPMENT, DEVICES, AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS".

- 16. Amendments to the title and specific Clauses of Article 37:
- a) Amendments to the title of the Article:
- "Article 37. Management measures for economical and efficient use of energy applicable to equipment, devices, and construction materials";
- b) Amendments to Clauses 2 and 3:
- "2. Energy labeling for energy-using equipment, devices, and construction materials;
- 3. Announcement of necessary information on the use of energy of equipment, devices, and construction materials;".
- 17. Amendments to Article 39:

### "Article 39. Energy labeling

- 1. Equipment, devices, and construction materials included in the list of equipment, devices, and construction materials subject to mandatory energy labeling must be labeled before being marketed.
- 2. Production establishments and enterprises importing, distributing, and trading equipment, devices, and construction materials, including those operating on e-commerce platforms, shall announce and conduct energy labeling for equipment, devices, and construction materials after they have been tested and undergone assessment of conformity with national standards on energy efficiency as prescribed by the law on technical regulations and standards and the law on measurement.
- 3. The Ministry of Finance of Vietnam and the Minister of Construction of Vietnam, within their tasks and entitlements, shall:

- a) Develop and promulgate lists of equipment, devices, and construction materials (under their management) subject to mandatory energy labeling and implementation road maps;
- b) Stipulate the content and specification of energy labels;
- c) Stipulate laboratories eligible for testing certificates in conformity with energy efficiency standards;
- d) Provide guidelines and announce the energy labeling for equipment, devices, and construction materials under their management;
- dd) Stipulate the recognition of energy labels of imported equipment and devices.
- 4. Provincial People's Committees shall develop annual plans to inspect compliance with the law on energy labeling for equipment, devices, and construction materials in production, business, and distribution activities in their areas."
- 18. Amendments to Clauses 2 and 3; addition of Clause 4 after Clause 3 Article 41:
- "2. Organizations and individuals investing in the production of energy-saving products and materials; investing in the upgrade, renovation of production lines, expansion of production scale using energy-saving technologies, investment projects on energy-saving establishments, production, installation of energy-saving machinery, devices, or materials, and projects aimed to optimize the use of energy or reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions shall be entitled to the following incentives and support:
- a) Incentives prescribed by the land law;
- b) Access to preferential loans and support as prescribed by the law from the Fund for Promotion of Economical and Efficient Use of Energy, the State Bank of Vietnam, the National Technology Innovation Fund, and the Environmental Funds, as well as support from the National Program on High Technology Development and the National Program on Economical and Efficient Use of Energy;
- c) Other incentives as prescribed by this Law and other relevant laws;
- d) Technical support, including energy audit, research, counseling, design, technical consultants, and application of energy-saving technologies.
- 3. The Government of Vietnam shall regulate the encouragement of organizations and enterprises to invest in, expand, upgrade, renovate, and transition to energy-saving technologies and greenhouse gas emission reduction; and to invest in and transition to the production of energy-saving and low-GHG-emission products through green credit mechanisms and green bond issuance.

- 4. The Government of Vietnam shall develop encouragement mechanisms and supporting solutions to promote the application of transition processes appropriate to the technological revolution and digital transformation in industrial production and processing; promote innovation in the field of economical and efficient use of energy."
- 19. Addition of Article 41a after Article 41:

### "Article 41a. Fund for Promotion of Economical and Efficient Use of Energy

- 1. The Fund for Promotion of Economical and Efficient Use of Energy is a state-owned off-budget financial fund, operating on a non-profit basis.
- 2. The Fund for Promotion of Economical and Efficient Use of Energy may raise funds, provide loans, make investments, entrust, and receive entrusted matters to promote the economical and efficient use of energy nationwide.
- 3. The Fund for Promotion of Economical and Efficient Use of Energy is meant to support and sponsor projects, tasks, and operations promoting the economical and efficient use of energy with flexible mechanisms as required by sponsors and current laws.
- 4. The Prime Minister of Vietnam shall decide the establishment, organization, and operation of the Fund for Promotion of Economical and Efficient Use of Energy in a manner that encourages private investment, ensures financial independence, avoids overlaps with revenue sources and spending tasks of the state budget, and limits cost increases for production and business for production and business enterprises and establishments.
- 5. The Government of Vietnam shall stipulate the funding sources of the Fund for Promotion of Economical and Efficient Use of Energy.".
- 20. Amendments to the title and specific Clauses of Article 43:
- a) Amendments to the title of the Article:

# "Article 43. Dissemination and education in economical and efficient use of energy; development of energy services";

- b) Amendments to Clause 3; addition of Clauses 4 and 5 after Clause 3:
- "3. An energy service provider shall:
- a) Conduct energy audits;
- b) Transfer energy-saving and environmentally friendly technologies;
- c) Provide training for energy auditors and energy managers and counseling for the application of advanced energy management models;

- d) Provide counseling for and invest in the implementation of energy-saving measures, and implement energy efficiency contracts with energy-using establishments;
- dd) Provide information on and promote the economical and efficient use of energy;
- e) Provide other services related to the economical and efficient use of energy;
- 4. The Government of Vietnam shall stipulate conditions for investment and business in energy audit and develop mechanisms to support and encourage the establishment of energy service provider systems.
- 5. The Minister of Industry and Trade of Vietnam shall stipulate the inspection and supervision for units operating in the field of energy services, energy audit, and training for energy auditors and energy managers; provide guidelines on the technical requirements and notice templates for energy service providers. The Ministry of Industry and Trade of Vietnam shall announce the list of organizations and individuals engaged in energy services on its web portal.".
- 21. Amendments to Article 46:
- a) Amendments to Clause 1:
- "1. Develop plans for economical and efficient use of energy in conformity with the local plans for socio-economic development and submit 5-year plans to the Ministry of Industry and Trade of Vietnam for consolidation."
- b) Addition of Clause 4 after Clause 3:
- "4. Submit reports on the implementation of the annual and 5-year objectives of economical and efficient use of energy to the Ministry of Industry and Trade of Vietnam for consolidation and report to the Prime Minister of Vietnam.".

#### **Article 2. Entry into force**

This Law comes into force as of January 1, 2026.

### **Article 3. Transitional provisions**

Energy management certificates issued before the effective date of this Law shall remain valid until December 31, 2030.

This Law is approved by the 15th National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam at its 9th meeting on June 18, 2025.

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