

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, JULY 8, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania
2 Consolidated Statutes, in restructuring of electric utility
3 industry, further providing for duties of electric
4 distribution companies.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Section 2807(f)(2)(iii) of Title 66 of the
8 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

9 § 2807. Duties of electric distribution companies.

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11 (f) Smart meter technology and time of use rates.--

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13 (2) Electric distribution companies shall furnish smart
14 meter technology as follows:

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16 (iii) In accordance with a depreciation schedule not
17 to exceed 15 years. Customers may opt out of receiving

1 smart meter technology under this subparagraph by
2 notifying, in writing, the electric distribution company.

3 The following shall apply:

4 (A) The electric distribution company shall
5 provide an opt-out form to consumers upon request and
6 may provide a method for consumers to opt out
7 electronically through the electric distribution
8 company's publicly accessible Internet website.

9 (B) The commission shall create and regulate a
10 surcharge for consumers who elect to opt out of
11 receiving smart meter technology under this
12 subparagraph. The surcharge may include a one-time
13 fee and a monthly fee reflective of the actual costs
14 incurred by an electric distribution company to
15 install, read, maintain or service the meters of
16 customers who elect to opt out.

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18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.