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SYNOPSIS

Requires public utilities to maintain customer billing records for duration of account and to refund full amount of any overpayment by customers.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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1 AN ACT concerning public utility customer billing records and
2 supplementing Title 48 of the Revised Statutes.

4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

7 1. a. Notwithstanding any law, rule, regulation, or order to the
8 contrary, a public utility shall maintain a record of each customer's
9 account for every billing period occurring for the duration of the
10 customer's account so that a public utility shall be able to make a
11 complete and accurate computation of the customer's billing history
12 in the event of a billing dispute.

b. A public utility shall refund a customer in full for any overpayment made to the public utility by the customer, pursuant to the provisions of section 1 of P.L.1987, c.211 (C.48:3-2.1).

17 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

20 STATEMENT

22 This bill requires a public utility to maintain a record of each
23 customer's account for every billing period occurring for the during
24 of the customer's account so that a public utility is able to make a
25 full and accurate computation of the customer's billing history in
26 the event of a billing dispute. A public utility is to refund a
27 customer in full, plus interest, for any overpayment made to the
28 public utility by the customer as provided in current law.