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SYNOPSIS

Requires public utility to provide daily updates to municipalities concerning public utility service work.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning certain public utility service work updates and
2 supplementing Title 48 of the Revised Statutes.

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

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7 1. a. From the start date until the end date of public utility
8 service work within the boundaries of a municipality, including
9 public utility service work in response to an emergency, a public
10 utility shall provide to the mayor and municipal clerk, or an
11 authorized designee, of the affected municipality daily updates, in a
12 form and manner determined by the board, concerning the status of
13 the public utility service work.

14 b. The board shall, pursuant to the “Administrative Procedure
15 Act,” P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), adopt rules and
16 regulations necessary for the implementation of this section,
17 including rules and regulations concerning daily update
18 requirements for public utility service work in response to an
19 emergency that affects the electric public utility service to any
20 municipal building.

21 c. As used in this section:

22 “Board” means the Board of Public Utilities or any successor
23 agency.

24 “Emergency” means any condition constituting a clear and
25 present danger to life, health, or property caused by a sudden
26 natural or man-made disaster or related event.

27 “Public utility” shall have the same meaning as provided in
28 R.S.48:2-13.

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30 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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33 STATEMENT

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35 This bill requires that from the start date until the end date of
36 public utility service work within the boundaries of a municipality,
37 including public utility service work in response to an emergency, a
38 public utility is to provide to the mayor and municipal clerk, or an
39 authorized designee, of the affected municipality daily updates, in a
40 form and manner determined by the Board of Public Utilities,
41 concerning the status of the public utility service work.

42 The board is to adopt rules and regulations necessary for the
43 implementation of this bill, including rules and regulations
44 concerning daily update requirements for public utility service work
45 in response to an emergency that affects the electric public utility
46 service to any municipal building. “Emergency” and “public
47 utility” are defined in the bill.