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SYNOPSIS

Prohibits solid waste collectors from billing for residential collection services more than 30 days in advance of the service.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 AN ACT concerning residential solid waste collection services,
2 amending P.L.1991, c.381, and supplementing P.L.1970, c.39.

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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. Section 11 of P.L.1991, c.381 (C.48:13A-7.11) is amended
8 to read as follows:

9 11. a. Every solid waste collector shall notify customers at least
10 once every year that solid waste collection services in this State are
11 available on a competitive basis, as provided in the customer bill of
12 rights established by the **board** department in rules and
13 regulations adopted pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act,"
14 and shall provide every customer with a copy thereof.

15 b. In addition to the rules and regulations set forth in
16 N.J.A.C.7:26H-5.12. and all other rules, regulations and operational
17 standards adopted by the department pertaining to solid waste
18 collection services, a solid waste collector shall not bill for
19 residential solid waste collection services more than 30 days in
20 advance of the service. Every solid waste collector shall notify its
21 residential customers of this requirement, in writing, within 10 days
22 of the effective date of this subsection.

23 c. Should any solid waste collector fail or refuse to comply
24 with any provision of this section, the department may revoke or
25 suspend the certificate of public convenience and necessity issued
26 to that person.

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28 2. (New section) a. A solid waste collector registered pursuant
29 to sections 4 and 5 of P.L.1970, c.39 (C.13:1E-4 and 13:1E-5) shall
30 not, at any time, bill for residential solid waste collection services
31 more than 30 days in advance of the service. Every solid waste
32 collector shall notify its residential customers of this requirement,
33 in writing, within 10 days of the effective date of this section.

34 b. The department, after hearing, may revoke or suspend the
35 registration issued to any person engaged in solid waste collection
36 upon a finding that such person has failed or refused to comply with
37 any provision of this section.

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39 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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41 STATEMENT

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43 This bill prohibits solid waste collectors from billing for
44 residential collection services more than 30 days in advance of the
45 service.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

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1 It has been variously reported that certain solid waste collectors
2 bill for residential collection service as much as five months in
3 advance of providing the service.

4 In order to curtail these trash haulers from realizing a windfall by
5 collecting 4-5 months interest on the prepayments of their
6 residential customers, this bill limits such prepayments to no more
7 than 30 days in advance of the actual collection service.