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SYNOPSIS

Requires certain public utilities to provide customers notice of certain utility work that could impact traffic.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning certain public utility work and supplementing
2 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. A public utility providing electric, gas, sewer, telephone,
8 or water service shall provide written notice in a customer's utility
9 bill, of upcoming, scheduled utility service work, which is not the
10 result of an emergency, that could impact traffic within a three-mile
11 radius of the customer's residence, as determined by the board.

12 b. As used in this section:

13 "Board" means the Board of Public Utilities or any successor
14 agency.

15 "Emergency" means any condition constituting a clear and
16 present danger to life, health, or property caused by a sudden
17 natural or man-made disaster or related event.

18 "Public utility" shall have the same meaning as provided in
19 R.S.48:2-13.

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21 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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26 The bill provides that a public utility providing electric, gas,
27 sewer, telephone, or water service is to provide written notice in a
28 customer's utility bill, of upcoming, scheduled utility service work,
29 which is not the result of an emergency, that could impact traffic
30 within a three-mile radius of the customer's residence. Under the
31 bill, "emergency" is defined as any condition constituting a clear
32 and present danger to life, health, or property caused by a sudden
33 natural or man-made disaster or related event.