

SENATE BILL 837

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Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2010

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Utility Consumer Protection Act of 2010**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting an electric company from passing certain costs
4 associated with outreach, marketing, or otherwise publicizing customer choice
5 on to customers; and generally relating to customer choice.

6 BY adding to

7 Article – Public Utility Companies

8 Section 7–510.1

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

13 **Article – Public Utility Companies**

14 **7–510.1.**

15 **AN ELECTRIC COMPANY MAY NOT PASS COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH**
16 **OUTREACH, MARKETING, OR OTHERWISE PUBLICIZING CUSTOMER CHOICE ON**
17 **TO CUSTOMERS.**

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
19 October 1, 2010.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

