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By: Delegate Klausmeier Introduced and read first time: February 17, 2000 Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations A BILL ENTITLED 1 AN ACT concerning 2 **Electric Companies - Regulated and Nonregulated Business Separation** 3 FOR the purpose of altering the scope of functional, operational, legal, and other factors of separation that the Public Service Commission shall require between 4 5 regulated and nonregulated businesses or nonregulated affiliates of an electric 6 company; altering the date by which the Commission shall require the factors of separation; and generally relating to electric companies and regulated and 7 8 nonregulated activities. 9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article - Public Utility Companies 10 Section 7-505(b)(10) 11 12 Annotated Code of Maryland (1998 Volume and 1999 Supplement) 13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 14 15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: 16 **Article - Public Utility Companies** 17 7-505. 18 (b) (10)(i) On or before July 1, 2000, the Commission shall issue orders or 19 adopt regulations reasonably designed to ensure the creation of competitive electricity 20 supply and electricity supply services markets, with appropriate customer 21 safeguards. 22 On or before July 1, 2000, the Commission shall require: (ii) an appropriate code of conduct between the electric 23 24 company and an affiliate providing electricity supply and electricity supply services in 25 the State; 26 2. access by electricity suppliers and customers to the electric 27 company's transmission and distribution system on a nondiscriminatory basis;

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1	3. appropriate complaint and enforcement procedures; and
	4. any other safeguards deemed necessary by the Commission to ensure the creation and maintenance of a competitive electricity supply and electricity supply services market.
7	(iii) On or before [July 1] DECEMBER 31, 2000, the Commission shall require, among other factors, functional, operational, structural, [or] AND legal separation between the electric company's regulated businesses and its nonregulated businesses or nonregulated affiliates.
9 10	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000.