
By: **Chairman, Economic Matters Committee (By Request - Departmental -
Public Service Commission)**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Electric Restructuring - Competitive Metering**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that electric metering services become
4 competitive for certain customer classes by certain dates; and altering the
5 definition of electricity supplier.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article - Public Utility Companies
8 Section 1-101(j)(1) and 7-511(a)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1998 Volume and 2004 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 1-101.

15 (j) (1) "Electricity supplier" means a person:

16 (i) who sells:

- 17 1. electricity;
- 18 2. electricity supply services; OR
- 19 3. competitive billing services; or
- 20 [4. competitive metering services; or]

21 (ii) who purchases, brokers, arranges, or markets electricity or
22 electricity supply services for sale to a retail electric customer.

1 7-511.

2 (a) Except for electric cooperatives and municipal electric [utilities:

3 (1)] UTILITIES, competitive billing shall begin on July 1, 2000[;

4 (2) competitive metering for large customers shall begin on January 1,
5 2002; and

6 (3) competitive metering for all other customers shall begin on April 1,
7 2002, or earlier if requested by the electric company].

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
9 effect October 1, 2005.