

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 391
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, in line 3, after “impose” insert “a”; in the same line, strike “penalties” and substitute “penalty”; in lines 3 and 4, strike “on or after a certain date”; in line 11, after “company;” insert “altering the maximum daily civil penalty that may be imposed on a public service company for certain violations;”; strike beginning with “providing” in line 18 down through “cooperatives;” in line 21; in line 22, after “recommendations;” insert “providing that this Act may not be construed to limit the Commission’s authority to impose penalties for certain violations;”; and in line 23, after “electricity” insert “safety and”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, in lines 27 and 28, strike “, ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2014,”.

On page 6, in line 28, strike “AND”; in line 30, after “TIME” insert “; AND”

6. TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, A BREAKDOWN, BY THE NUMBER OF DAYS EACH CUSTOMER WAS WITHOUT ELECTRIC SERVICE, OF THE NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS THAT EXPERIENCED AN OUTAGE”.

On page 7, in line 17, strike “\$10,000” and substitute “\$25,000”.

On page 8, in line 15, strike “\$10,000” and substitute “\$25,000”.

On page 9, after line 3, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Maryland Public Service Commission shall:

(Over)

(1) review current regulations, tariffs, or standards relating to electric company responsibility for customer damages caused by electrical surges and assess the feasibility of obtaining information from electric companies regarding the extent of electrical surges and customer damages that result from electrical surges;

(2) study the feasibility of incorporating an electric company's service restoration plan into the electric company's reliability plan;

(3) study and consider whether to prohibit an electric company from calculating the rate charged by the electric company using a formula that decouples the electric company's revenue from the sale of kilowatt-hours unless the formula provides for the suspension of decoupling during any extended service disruption; and

(4) on or before January 1, 2012, report its findings to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article.”;

after line 6, insert:

“SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That nothing in this Act shall be construed as limiting the authority of the Public Service Commission to impose penalties for violations of law or regulation in existence before the effective date of this Act.”;

and in lines 4 and 7, strike “2.” and “3.”, respectively, and substitute “3.” and “5.”, respectively.