

# HOUSE BILL 842

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By: **Delegate Howard**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Electric Companies – Billing Information**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring an electric company to provide to a certain customer certain  
4 usage and billing information on request; providing that the electric company must  
5 make the information available in a certain manner; and generally relating to  
6 electric companies and electric customers.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Public Utilities

9 Section 7–312

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Public Utilities**

15 **7–312.**

16 **(A) ON REQUEST OF A RETAIL ELECTRICITY CUSTOMER, AN ELECTRIC**  
17 **COMPANY SHALL PROVIDE TO THE CUSTOMER THE HISTORIC USAGE AND BILLING**  
18 **INFORMATION FOR THE CUSTOMER’S ACCOUNT FOR NOT LESS THAN THE**  
19 **PRECEDING 12 MONTHS.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (B) THE ELECTRIC COMPANY SHALL MAKE THE INFORMATION UNDER  
2 SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION AVAILABLE TO THE CUSTOMER IN ONE OF THE  
3 FOLLOWING FORMS, AS REQUESTED BY THE CUSTOMER:

4 (1) INFORMATION ACCESSIBLE TO THE CUSTOMER ON THE ELECTRIC  
5 COMPANY’S WEBSITE;

6 (2) INFORMATION PROVIDED ELECTRONICALLY TO THE CUSTOMER  
7 IN A SEARCHABLE PDF FORMAT; OR

8 (3) A PHYSICAL DOCUMENT SENT TO THE CUSTOMER AT THE  
9 CUSTOMER’S BILLING ADDRESS.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
11 October 1, 2021.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.