

SENATE BILL 856

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CF HB 842

By: **Senator Hershey**

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Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

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.

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

23 (1) INFORMATION ACCESSIBLE TO THE CUSTOMER ON THE ELECTRIC

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 COMPANY'S WEBSITE;

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

4 (3) A PHYSICAL DOCUMENT SENT TO THE CUSTOMER AT THE
5 CUSTOMER'S BILLING ADDRESS.

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