

SENATE BILL 949

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By: **Senator Hershey**

Introduced and read first time: February 17, 2021

Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Public Utilities – Bills for Electricity Service – Meter Reading

FOR the purpose of requiring the Public Service Commission, by regulation or order, to require that a customer's bill for electricity service include the customer's meter reading for the billing cycle; and generally relating to bills for electricity service.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Public Utilities
Section 7–505(b)(5)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2020 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

Article – Public Utilities

7–505.

(b) (5) (ii) The Commission shall, by regulation or order, require that [customers' bills] **A CUSTOMER'S BILL** for electricity service:

1. indicate charges for:
 - [1.] **A.** distribution and transmission;
 - [2.] **B.** transition charge or credit;
 - [3.] **C.** universal service program charges;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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[4.] **D.** customer charges;

[5.] **E.** taxes; and

[6.] **F.** other charges identified by the Commission; **AND**

2. INCLUDE THE CUSTOMER'S EXACT METER READINGS FOR THE CLOSE OF THE LAST BILLING CYCLE AND THE CLOSE OF THE CURRENT BILLING CYCLE.

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