

HOUSE BILL 642

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Introduced and read first time: January 30, 2026

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Electric Companies – Service Outages and Rate Increases – Report on Customer**
3 **Impact**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring each electric company to report to the Public Service
5 Commission, on or before a certain date each year, geographic and demographic data
6 on all customers impacted by certain service outages and rate increases for the
7 immediately preceding year; and generally relating to electric companies.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Public Utilities

10 Section 7–108.1

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2025 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

14 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article – Public Utilities**

16 **7–108.1.**

17 **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1 EACH YEAR, EACH ELECTRIC COMPANY SHALL**
18 **REPORT TO THE COMMISSION THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR THE**
19 **IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING YEAR:**

20 **(1) GEOGRAPHIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA ON ALL CUSTOMERS**
21 **IMPACTED BY:**

22 **(I) A SERVICE OUTAGE LASTING 2 HOURS OR LONGER;**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(II) A SERVICE OUTAGE FOR SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE,**
2 **REGARDLESS OF THE DURATION; AND**

3 **(III) EACH SERVICE OUTAGE, REGARDLESS OF DURATION,**
4 **OCCURRING DURING AN INCLEMENT WEATHER EVENT, INCLUDING THE AMOUNT OF**
5 **TIME UNTIL SERVICE WAS RESTORED; AND**

6 **(2) GEOGRAPHIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA ON ALL CUSTOMERS**
7 **IMPACTED BY A RATE INCREASE.**

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2026.