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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

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RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- REGULATORY POWERS OF
ADMINISTRATION

Introduced By: Senators Ciccone, Burke, Urso, Acosta, Tikoian, Felag, and Gallo

Date Introduced: January 16, 2026

Referred To: Senate Commerce

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 39-3-37.3 of the General Laws in Chapter 39-3 entitled "Regulatory
2 Powers of Administration" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 **39-3-37.3. Informational notice on electric bills — Electric distribution company.**
- 4 (a) Every electric distribution company that shall charge for the distribution of electricity
5 to any house, building, tenement, or estate shall conspicuously display upon the bill or statement
6 for any customer the following information:
- 7 (1) The total number of kilowatt hours consumed;
- 8 (2) The total cost of distributing the consumer power to the customer;
- 9 (3) Transition charges;
- 10 (4) Conservation costs;
- 11 (5) The total cost of transmitting the consumed power to the appropriate distribution site;
- 12 (6) All applicable credits;
- 13 (7) Applicable streetlight rental costs;
- 14 (8) Applicable taxes;
- 15 (9) The cost of power delivered; and
- 16 (10) All other costs, charges, or fees added to the bill or statement.
- 17 (b) The electric distribution company shall issue a single bill for electric service to all
18 customers in its service territory; provided however, that customers of nonregulated power

1 producers may request that the nonregulated power producers provide separate bills for electricity
2 supply.

3 (c) For purposes of this section, “conspicuously display” means including a visual
4 illustration showing each component of the utility bill and the cost associated with each component
5 including, but not limited to, supply, distribution, transmission, ratepayer funded programs and
6 policy, taxes and all other costs. The division shall have the authority to approve or deny the
7 adequacy of the format chosen by the company for compliance with this provision.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would require that a conspicuous display be a visual illustration showing each
- 2 component of the utility bill and the cost associated with each component of said bill, subject to the
- 3 approval of the division of public utilities (DPUC).
- 4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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