

# HOUSE BILL No. 5093

December 1, 2015, Introduced by Reps. Plawecki, Chang, Garrett, Neeley, Brunner, Rutledge, Derek Miller, Talabi, Chirkun, Brinks, Liberati, Hoadley, Cochran, Byrd, Robinson, Pagan, Geiss, Gay-Dagnogo, Banks, Darany, Sarah Roberts, Yanez, Irwin, Guerra, Wittenberg, Greig, Callton, Phelps, Love, LaVoy, Santana, Lucido, Moss, Townsend and Tedder and referred to the Committee on Local Government.

A bill to prescribe the powers and duties of certain providers of water and sewerage service in this state; and to require providers of water and sewerage service in this state to file certain reports with the department of health and human services.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 1. As used in this act:

2           (a) "Department" means the department of health and human  
3 services.

4           (b) "Emergency medical condition" means a certified medical  
5 condition that requires an immediate need for water.

6           (c) "Provider" means any water and sewerage system that  
7 provides water and sewerage service in this state.

1 (d) "Senior citizen" means an individual who is 62 years of  
2 age or older.

3 Sec. 2. A provider shall by April 1 of each year file with the  
4 department an annual report setting forth all of the following  
5 information for the previous calendar year:

6 (a) A list of the categories of rate payers and exempt users  
7 of the provider, including commercial, residential, nonprofit, and  
8 exempt users.

9 (b) The rates charged for water, sewerage, and storm water  
10 service by that provider, broken down by categories of rate payer.

11 (c) The average monthly bill for customers that have 2, 4, and  
12 6 individuals in that household.

13 (d) The process by which those water and sewerage service  
14 rates were determined.

15 (e) The total number of shutoffs of water and sewerage service  
16 that occurred during that year.

17 (f) The number of shutoffs of water and sewerage service that  
18 occurred during that year, broken down by census tract and zip  
19 code.

20 (g) The number of shutoffs of water and sewerage service that  
21 occurred for residential customers during that year.

22 (h) The number of shutoffs of water and sewerage service that  
23 occurred for commercial customers during that year.

24 (i) The number of shutoffs of water and sewerage service that  
25 occurred for senior citizen customers during that year.

26 (j) The number of shutoffs of water and sewerage service that  
27 occurred for customers with an emergency medical condition during

1 that year.

2 (k) The number of shutoffs of water and sewerage service that  
3 occurred for customers with disabilities during that year.

4 (l) The number of shutoffs of water and sewerage service that  
5 occurred for customers with children less than 1 year old,  
6 customers with children less than 6 years old, or customers who are  
7 pregnant, during that year.

8 (m) The provider's policies and procedures regarding shutoffs  
9 of water and sewerage service.

10 (n) Any assistance programs the provider has available for  
11 low-income customers.

12 Sec. 3. A provider shall make the report under section 2  
13 available to customers on its website and post a printed copy in  
14 its offices.