HOUSE BILL NO. 4977

September 17, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Miller, McKinney, Grant, B. Carter, Hoskins, Morgan, Dievendorf, Byrnes, Wegela, Edwards, McFall, Wooden, Cavitt, Wilson, Myers-Phillips, Longjohn, Rheingans, Hope, T. Carter and Young and referred to Committee on Energy.

A bill to amend 1939 PA 3, entitled

"An act to provide for the regulation and control of public and certain private utilities and other services affected with a public interest within this state; to provide for alternative energy suppliers; to provide for licensing; to include municipally owned utilities and other providers of energy under certain provisions of this act; to create a public service commission and to prescribe and define its powers and duties; to abolish the Michigan public utilities commission and to confer the powers and duties vested by law on the public service commission; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state governmental officers and entities; to provide for the continuance, transfer, and completion of certain

matters and proceedings; to abolish automatic adjustment clauses; to prohibit certain rate increases without notice and hearing; to qualify residential energy conservation programs permitted under state law for certain federal exemption; to create a fund; to encourage the utilization of resource recovery facilities; to prohibit certain acts and practices of providers of energy; to allow for the securitization of stranded costs; to reduce rates; to provide for appeals; to provide appropriations; to declare the effect and purpose of this act; to prescribe remedies and penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

(MCL 460.1 to 460.11) by adding section 9e.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 9e. (1) The commission shall require that all electric utilities disclose in a standardized format on the customer's bill or with a bill insert all of the following:
- 4 (a) The number of times the customer's service was interrupted during that billing cycle, excluding momentary interruptions.
- 6 (b) The total number of hours, or portions of hours, the 7 customer's service was interrupted during that billing cycle, 8 excluding momentary interruptions.
- 9 (c) The total number of momentary interruptions during the 10 billing cycle.
- 11 (2) If the commission finds, after notice and hearing, that an 12 electric utility violated subsection (1), the commission shall 13 order that electric utility to pay a fine of not more than 14 \$1,000.00 for each violation.
 - (3) A customer attestation of service interruption and service restoration is sufficient evidence of a service interruption for purposes of this section. An electric utility may rebut a customer attestation with customer meter data.
- 19 (4) The commission shall require each electric utility to 20 provide the following information to the commission by March 1 each

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- 1 year, which the commission shall make available to the public:
- 2 (a) A detailed identification of the cause of service
- 3 interruptions that affected more than 1,000 customers of that
- 4 electric utility in the previous calendar year.
- 5 (b) The number of miles of tree trimming the electric utility
- 6 projects to accomplish in that calendar year and the number of
- 7 miles of tree trimming the electric utility accomplished in the
- 8 previous year, broken down by zip code, city, and township.
- 9 (c) The number of grid hardening or reliability projects
- 10 performed in the previous calendar year, broken down by zip code,
- 11 city, and township.
- 12 (d) A list of the top 20% of worst-performing circuits in the
- 13 electric utility's service territory in the previous calendar year
- 14 using System Average Interruption Duration Index, System Average
- 15 Interruption Frequency Index, and Customer Average Interruption
- 16 Duration Index metrics.
- 17 (5) As used in this section:
- 18 (a) "Momentary interruption" means an interruption of service
- 19 that lasts less than 5 minutes.
- 20 (b) "Service interruption" means an interruption of service
- 21 that lasts more than 5 minutes.
- 22 (c) "Service restoration" means that the interrupted condition
- 23 has been corrected and that the interrupted customer or customers
- 24 have regained the full use of electric service.