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ASSEMBLY, No. 909

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 214th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2010 SESSION

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SYNOPSIS

Authorizes companies under BPU jurisdiction to bill customers electronically upon customers' request.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel



1 AN ACT concerning certain billing practices of companies under the
2 jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utilities and supplementing
3 Title 48 of the Revised Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:

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8 1. Any company under the jurisdiction of the Board of Public
9 Utilities that periodically bills its customers may, upon the request
10 of a customer:

11 a. offer each customer the ability to receive or access, in
12 electronic format, any periodic bill for service sent by the company
13 to its customers and any additional information sent by the company
14 to its customers as required by law, provided that any notice of
15 disconnection, discontinuance or termination of service shall be
16 sent to a customer in written form to a customer's legal mailing
17 address in addition to being sent or being made available in
18 electronic format; and

19 b. provide the customer of such company the option of paying
20 any such periodic bill via electronic means.

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22 2. This act shall take effect on the 180th day after the date of
23 enactment, but the Board of Public Utilities may take such
24 anticipatory administrative action in advance thereof as shall be
25 necessary for the implementation of this act.

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STATEMENT

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37 bill via electronic means.

ASSEMBLY TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND UTILITIES
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 909

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 8, 2010

The Assembly Telecommunications and Utilities Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 909.

As reported, this bill permits any company under the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utilities (“board”) that periodically bills its customers to: 1) offer, upon the request of a customer, the ability to receive in electronic format any periodic bill for service sent by the company to its customers and any additional information sent by the company to its customers as required by law; and 2) provide the customer of such company the option of paying any such periodic bill via electronic means.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2010-2011 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

SENATE ECONOMIC GROWTH COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 909

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 14, 2010

The Senate Economic Growth Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill, No. 909.

This bill permits any company under the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utilities that periodically bills its customer, at the request of a customer, to: 1) offer the customer the ability to receive or access, in electronic format, any periodic bill for service sent by the company to that customer and any additional information sent by the company to its customers as required by law; and 2) provide the customer of such company the option of paying any such periodic bill via electronic means. In addition to any electronic notice sent to a customer, any notice of disconnection, discontinuance, or termination of service would still be required to be mailed in writing to the customer's legal mailing address.

As reported by the committee, Assembly Bill No. 909 is identical to Senate Bill No. 583 which was also reported by the committee on this date.

SENATE, No. 583

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Sponsored by:
Senator JAMES BEACH
District 6 (Camden)

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