

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 906

PRINTERS NO. 2867

PRIME SPONSOR: Reese

COST / (SAVINGS)

| FUND | FY 2013/14 | FY 2014/15 |
|--------------|------------|------------|
| General Fund | \$0 | \$0 |

SUMMARY: House Bill 906, Printer's Number 2867, amends Title 66 (Public Utilities) to include "government entities" to the listing of third parties which may, with customer consent, have direct meter access and electronic access to customer meter data.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends Section 2807 of Title 66 (Public Utilities) to include "government entities" to the listing of third parties which may have direct meter access and electronic access to customer meter data. This section addresses the duties of electric distribution companies and requires customer consent before an electric distribution company provides customer meter data to third parties.

However, the bill also amends this section stating that customer consent is not required when the following conditions are met:

- the information is released to comply with a subpoena or court/regulatory order;
- the information is released on a confidential basis in the context of a consumer complaint proceeding before the PUC or other administrative agency;
- the information is released in aggregate form; or
- there is an emergency situation involving an imminent threat to public health or safety.

The effective date of this legislation is 60 days after enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this bill will have no fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds.

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House Appropriations Committee (R)

DATE: January 27, 2014

Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.