



# Senate

General Assembly

**File No. 162**

February Session, 2006

Substitute Senate Bill No. 567

*Senate, March 28, 2006*

The Committee on Energy and Technology reported through SEN. FONFARA of the 1st Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

## ***AN ACT CONCERNING NATURAL GAS CONSUMER CHOICE.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) Not later than September 1, 2006,  
2 the Department of Public Utility Control shall initiate a contested case  
3 proceeding in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the  
4 general statutes to evaluate residential natural gas choice. Said  
5 proceeding shall include, but not be limited to, a consideration of (1)  
6 customer billing and enrollment procedures, (2) purchase of customer  
7 receivables, (3) assignment of capacity, and (4) operational balancing  
8 rules for residential gas customers.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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| Section 1 | <i>from passage</i> | New section |
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**ET** Joint Favorable Subst.

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***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

***Explanation***

The bill requires that the Department of Public Utility Control (DPUC) initiate a contested case proceeding to evaluate residential natural gas choice. It is anticipated that DPUC will be able to perform the contested case within existing resources.

***The Out Years***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

**OLR BILL ANALYSIS**

**SSB 567**

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**SUMMARY:**

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Energy and Technology Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 18 Nay 0 (03/14/2006)