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Committee Bill No. 6017

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Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Introduced by:
(ET)

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF SECURITY DEPOSITS
FOR ELECTRIC, GAS OR WATER SERVICE.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 16-262j of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2011*):

4 (a) No public service company and no electric supplier shall refuse
5 to provide electric, gas or water service to a residential customer based
6 on the financial inability of such customer to pay a security deposit for
7 such service. No public service company and no electric supplier shall
8 require a security deposit from any residential customer whose
9 electric, gas or water service was terminated due to nonpayment of a
10 delinquent account, as a condition of reinstating such service,
11 provided such termination was the first termination of service for such
12 account. The Department of Public Utility Control shall adopt
13 regulations in accordance with chapter 54 to carry out the provisions of
14 this subsection.

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

Section 1	July 1, 2011	16-262j(a)
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Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit public service companies and electric suppliers from requiring payment of a security deposit from certain residential customers as a condition to reinstating electric, gas or water service that had been terminated for such customers.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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