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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICE

Introduced By: Representatives Messier, Fellela, and McLaughlin

Date Introduced: April 28, 2017

Referred To: House Corporations

(Lieutenant Governor)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 39-1 of the General Laws entitled "Public Utilities Commission" is

2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

- 39-1-27.13. Alternative suppliers and purchase of receivables program.
- 4 (a) The general assembly recognizes the importance of competitive choice in electric
- 5 generation service.

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6 (b) For electric suppliers who have chosen the complete billing service, as described in

7 Narragansett Electric Company's Terms and Conditions for Nonregulated Power Producers,

8 R.I.P.U.C. No. 1191, Section 2.1.1, the electric distribution company shall make timely payments

9 to such suppliers in accordance with this section. The distribution company shall:

- 10 (1) Bill all of the electric supplier's customers in a service class according to complete
 11 billing;
- 12 (2) Pay such suppliers the full amounts due from customers for generation services in a

13 time period consistent with the average payment period of the participating class of customer, less

- 14 a percentage of such amounts that reflects the average of the uncollectible bills for the
- 15 participating customer classes of the electric distribution company and other reasonable
- 16 <u>development, operating or carrying costs incurred, as approved by the commission.</u>



EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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1 This act would expand the competitive retail purchase of electricity by authorizing the

2 creation of a purchase of receivables program which requires electric distribution companies to

3 make timely payments to the suppliers of their electricity.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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