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House Bill 3263

By Delegates Pushkin and Young

[Passed April 12, 2025; in effect 90 days from passage (July 10, 2025)]

AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §24-2-22, relating to requiring utilities to create outage communication plans to notify customers of any planned and any unexpected disruption of utility services; providing plan content requirements; and requiring filing of plan with the Public Service Commission.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

**ARTICLE 2. POWERS AND DUTIES OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.**

**§24-2-22. Service outage communication plans.**

(a) Each utility shall have an outage communication plan in place to notify customers of any planned and any unexpected disruption of utility services. Such outage communication plan shall, at a minimum, include a methodology for advance notification to all affected customers for planned service disruptions, methods of communication, and notification content requirements concerning the outage, including an estimate of the duration and end of the outage.

(b) Each utility shall file its outage communication plan with the commission.

The Clerk of the House of Delegates and the Clerk of the Senate hereby certify that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Originated in the House of Delegates.

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*Speaker of the House of Delegates*

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