

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Introduced

House Bill 4385

By Delegates Burkhammer and Pinson

[Introduced January 15, 2026; referred to the

Committee on Energy and Public Works]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding a new section,
2 designated §24-2-4i, relating to providing a cap of 5% per year to any proposed rate
3 increases by a public utility company.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. POWERS AND DUTIES OF PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

§24-2-4i. Limit on proposed rate increases by public utilities.

1 Effective July 1, 2026, all proposed rate increases by public utilities shall not exceed the
2 amount of 5% per year.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to cap any proposed rate increases by public utilities at the amount of 5% per year.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.