SENATE BILL NO. 1204

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MCCREERY.

3510S.02I KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To amend chapter 386, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to electric service interruption.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 386, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto

- 2 two new sections, to be known as sections 386.1000 and 386.1001,
- 3 to read as follows:

386.1000. As used in sections 386.1000 to 386.1001,

- 2 the following terms mean:
- 3 (1) "Commission", the Missouri Public Service
- 4 Commission;
- 5 (2) "Electric service interruption", an interruption
- 6 in electric service to a customer if such electric service
- 7 interruption was not caused by a customer;
- 8 (3) "Electric utility", an electrical corporation as
- 9 defined by section 386.020;
- 10 (4) "Loss", any financial loss a customer incurs as a
- 11 result of an electric service interruption, including but
- 12 not limited to food, medicine, or any other good;
- 13 (5) "Rate", the same as in section 386.020.
 - 386.1001. 1. Whenever an electric service
- 2 interruption occurs that lasts for more than forty-eight
- 3 hours, and a customer incurs a loss as a result of such
- 4 electric service interruption, an electric utility shall

SB 1204

5 reimburse the customer for the loss from the electric

- 6 service interruption.
- 7 2. An electric utility shall create a form for loss

2

- 8 recovery and make the form available on the electric
- 9 utility's website.
- 3. If a loss is greater than two hundred dollars, a
- 11 customer shall submit receipts or any relevant document for
- 12 such loss with the form under subsection 2 of this section
- 13 to the electric utility before being reimbursed for the loss
- 14 by the electric utility.
- 15 4. The commission shall require an electric utility to
- 16 maintain a record detailing each instance a transmission of
- 17 electricity is less than fifty percent of the standard
- 18 voltage or whenever an electric service interruption affects
- 19 more than ten customers. The record shall not include
- 20 disconnection of service to customers for good cause. The
- 21 record shall include:
- 22 (1) Date, time, and duration of an electric service
- 23 interruption;
- 24 (2) Number of customers affected by an electric
- 25 service interruption;
- 26 (3) Description of the cause of an electric service
- 27 interruption, including any equipment involved in the
- 28 electric service interruption if applicable;
- 29 (4) The geographic area of an electric service
- 30 interruption;
- 31 (5) Measures taken by an electric utility to restore
- 32 electric service:
- 33 (6) Measures taken by an electric utility to prevent
- 34 future electric service interruption;

SB 1204 3

35 (7) Amounts paid by an electric utility to affected 36 customers for any loss incurred as a result of an electric 37 service interruption.

- 5. Copies of records detailing information in subsection 4 of this section shall be made public by an electric utility on an electric utility's website.
- 6. The commission shall promulgate rules to ensure compliance with sections 386.1000 to 386.1001. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2024, shall be invalid and void.