

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

	March 13, 2025
Chair of Committee	Date

Committee on Energy & Environment.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB25-1175 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, strike everything below the enacting clause and
2 substitute:

3 "SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 40-4-122 as
4 follows:

5 **40-4-122. Advanced metering infrastructure on residential**
6 **property - smart meters - customer communication plan - reporting**
7 **- definitions. (1) Definitions.** AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE
8 CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

9 (a) "ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE" HAS THE MEANING
10 SET FORTH IN SECTION 40-3-103.6 (3)(a).

11 (b) "NONCOMMUNICATING METER" MEANS A TRADITIONAL UTILITY
12 METER USED TO MEASURE ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION AT A PROPERTY
13 THAT DOES NOT COMMUNICATE ELECTRONICALLY WITH A UTILITY AND
14 REQUIRES A UTILITY TO MANUALLY RECORD A CUSTOMER'S ELECTRICITY
15 CONSUMPTION.

16 (c) "QUALIFYING RETAIL UTILITY" OR "UTILITY" MEANS AN
17 INVESTOR-OWNED ELECTRIC UTILITY SERVING MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED
18 THOUSAND CUSTOMERS.

19 (2) A QUALIFYING RETAIL UTILITY THAT DEPLOYS ADVANCED
20 METERING INFRASTRUCTURE FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS ON OR AFTER
21 SEPTEMBER 1, 2025, SHALL SUBMIT A CUSTOMER COMMUNICATION PLAN
22 TO THE COMMISSION ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2025.

23 (3) THE CUSTOMER COMMUNICATION PLAN SUBMITTED BY A
24 QUALIFYING RETAIL UTILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (2) OF
25 THIS SECTION MUST INCLUDE THE QUALIFYING RETAIL UTILITY'S PLAN FOR:

26 (a) DEPLOYING ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE TO
27 RESIDENTIAL UTILITY CUSTOMERS;

1 (b) COMMUNICATING WITH A RESIDENTIAL UTILITY CUSTOMER
2 BEFORE THE INSTALLATION OF ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE ON
3 THE CUSTOMER'S PROPERTY, WHICH COMMUNICATION MUST BE SENT
4 NINETY DAYS, SIXTY DAYS, AND THIRTY DAYS BEFORE THE DATE THE
5 ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE IS INSTALLED ON THE
6 CUSTOMER'S PROPERTY AND INCLUDE INFORMATION REGARDING THE
7 CUSTOMER'S RIGHT TO NOT HAVE ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE
8 INSTALLED;

9 (c) PROVIDING INFORMATION TO RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS ABOUT
10 THEIR RIGHT TO NOT HAVE ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE
11 INSTALLED ON THEIR PROPERTY AND TO RECEIVE A NONCOMMUNICATING
12 METER IF REQUESTED BY THE CUSTOMER; AND

13 (d) PROVIDING A RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC UTILITY CUSTOMER WHO
14 SIGNS UP FOR UTILITY SERVICE FROM A QUALIFYING RETAIL UTILITY ON OR
15 AFTER SEPTEMBER 1, 2025, WITH COMMUNICATIONS AT THE TIME THE
16 CUSTOMER INITIATES SERVICE REGARDING WHETHER THE CUSTOMER'S
17 RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY ALREADY HAS ADVANCED METERING
18 INFRASTRUCTURE INSTALLED AND THE CUSTOMER'S RIGHT TO HAVE A
19 NONCOMMUNICATING METER INSTALLED AT THE PROPERTY IF REQUESTED
20 BY THE CUSTOMER.

21 (4) ON AND AFTER SEPTEMBER 1, 2025, A QUALIFYING RETAIL
22 UTILITY THAT PLANS TO INSTALL ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE
23 AT A RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER'S PROPERTY SHALL MAKE REASONABLE
24 EFFORTS TO NOTIFY THE CUSTOMER OF THE ADVANCED METERING
25 INFRASTRUCTURE INSTALLATION BEFORE ARRIVING AT THE CUSTOMER'S
26 PROPERTY AND PROVIDE THE CUSTOMER AN OPPORTUNITY TO DEFER OR
27 REJECT THE INSTALLATION OF THE ADVANCED METERING
28 INFRASTRUCTURE.

29 (5)(a) A QUALIFYING RETAIL UTILITY THAT INSTALLED ADVANCED
30 METERING INFRASTRUCTURE ON A RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER'S PROPERTY ON
31 OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2025, SHALL MAINTAIN A DEDICATED PHONE
32 LINE AND A PUBLIC WEBSITE WITH INFORMATION REGARDING THE
33 CUSTOMER'S RIGHT TO HAVE THE ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE
34 REMOVED FROM THE PROPERTY AND REPLACED WITH A
35 NONCOMMUNICATING METER IF REQUESTED BY THE CUSTOMER.

36 (b) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, A QUALIFYING RETAIL UTILITY
37 SHALL SEND AN EMAIL TO RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS TO INFORM THEM OF
38 THE DEDICATED PHONE LINE AND PUBLIC WEBSITE MAINTAINED BY THE
39 UTILITY PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5)(a) OF THIS SECTION.

40 (6) A QUALIFYING RETAIL UTILITY SHALL INSTALL ONLY
41 ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE THAT COMPLIES WITH FEDERAL
42 COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR RADIO FREQUENCY.

43 (7) A QUALIFYING RETAIL UTILITY SHALL ESTABLISH AND

1 MAINTAIN A PUBLIC WEBSITE THAT INCLUDES INFORMATION REGARDING
2 CUSTOMER DATA PRIVACY AND RADIO FREQUENCY COMMUNICATIONS IN
3 RELATION TO ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE.
4 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
5 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
6 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except
7 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V
8 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this
9 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take
10 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
11 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
12 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor."

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