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to the Committee on the Judiciary.]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new article,
2 designated §24-2H-1, relating to billing practices of public utilities; prohibiting estimated
3 bills.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2H. BILLING REQUIREMENTS WHERE USE IS METERED.

§24-2H-1. Estimated bills prohibited.

1 Billing by public utilities must reflect the result of the meter having been read for each
2 customer and the customer billed only for the amount of product consumed during the billing
3 period. Estimated bills are prohibited.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit public utilities from estimating customers' utility bills.

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