

CHAPTER 498

(House Bill 1178)

AN ACT concerning

Electricity - Affiliate Wheeling Industrial Customer Choice

FOR the purpose of requiring the Public Service Commission to require electric companies to offer nondiscriminatory affiliate wheeling on certain terms; requiring a wheeling company to establish certain terms and conditions for providing affiliate wheeling under certain circumstances; establishing certain requirements for certain contracts for affiliate wheeling; prohibiting an electric company from imposing certain charges on certain customers under certain circumstances; providing for certain applications and appeals relating to affiliate wheeling; requiring certain information to be provided to certain persons in a certain manner; prohibiting certain acts by electric companies and wheeling companies; providing for certain notice before a certain customer ceases to purchase electricity from an electric company; declaring the findings of the General Assembly; defining certain terms; making the provisions of this Act severable; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to affiliate wheeling of electricity, authorizing certain industrial electricity customers to have access to customer choice during a certain period and under certain circumstances; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to customer choice for certain industrial customers.

BY adding toArticle — Public Utility CompaniesSection 7-501 through 7-509, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 5. Affiliate Wheeling"Annotated Code of Maryland
(1998 Volume)BY renumberingArticle — Public Utility CompaniesSection 7-510(e) through (f), respectively
to be Section 7-510(d) through (g), respectivelyAnnotated Code of Maryland
(1998 Volume)(As enacted by Chapters 3 and 4 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999)BY adding toArticle — Public Utility CompaniesSection 7-510(e)Annotated Code of Maryland
(1998 Volume)