
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY A. DAVIS, SNYDER, OTTEN, YOUNGBLOOD, HILL-EVANS,
KINSEY, LEE AND DeLUCA, JANUARY 30, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, JANUARY 30, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in residential real
3 property, providing for individual dwelling unit water
4 metering.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Title 68 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes is amended by adding a chapter to read:

9 CHAPTER 77

10 INDIVIDUAL DWELLING UNIT WATER METERING

11 Sec.

12 7701. Scope of chapter.

13 7702. Definitions.

14 7703. Individual meters.

15 7704. Occupancy permits.

16 § 7701. Scope of chapter.

17 This chapter relates to individual dwelling unit water
18 metering.

19 § 7702. Definitions.

1 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
2 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
3 context clearly indicates otherwise:

4 "Dwelling unit." A single residential component of an
5 apartment building, housing development, condominium or other
6 multicomponent residential building.

7 "Residential owner or lessee." An individual who lawfully
8 occupies a dwelling unit as a lessee or owner for residential
9 use.

10 "Water distribution service." Water utility supplied to
11 consumers on a metered basis by a water distribution utility.

12 "Water distribution utility." An entity, including a
13 municipal corporation, owning or operating equipment or
14 facilities for diverting, developing, pumping, impounding,
15 distributing or furnishing water to or for the public for
16 compensation.

17 § 7703. Individual meters.

18 Upon the sale to residential owners or lessees of individual
19 dwelling units or the conversion of individual dwelling units to
20 condominiums in a multicomponent residential building or
21 development, each dwelling unit shall include an individual
22 meter for the provision of water distribution service to the
23 residential owners or lessees.

24 § 7704. Occupancy permits.

25 Upon the sale to residential owners or lessees of individual
26 dwelling units or the conversion of individual dwelling units to
27 condominiums in a multicomponent residential building or
28 development, no municipal corporation shall issue a permit for
29 occupancy for the dwelling units unless each dwelling unit
30 includes an individual meter for the provision of water

1 distribution service to the residential owners or lessees.

2 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.