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RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ENERGY FACILITY SITING
ACT

Introduced By: Representatives Moura, and Ajello

Date Introduced: June 18, 2004

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 42-98 of the General Laws entitled "Energy Facility Siting Act" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

42-98-1.1. Capital city underground utility initiative. – (a) The public utilities commission shall permit the city of Providence or the city of East Providence, upon petition by a duly authorized representative of such municipality, to forego some or all of the respective municipality's pro rata share of the refund accruing to the ratepayers of the respective municipality as computed under section 11(c) of the 3rd Amended Settlement Agreement in Docket No. 2930; provided, however, that the city council of each petitioning ratifies such action by passage of a resolution.

(b) The public utilities commission shall permit, upon petition by the attorney general, for the use of up to two million dollars (\$2,000,000) from Narragansett Electric Company's Storm Contingency Fund for purposes of undergrounding that portion of the E-183 transmission line under consideration in Energy Facility Siting Board Docket 2003-01.

(c) Narragansett Electric Company shall be required to apply to the regional grid operator or its successor organization for approval to charge New England regional network service customers for the capital costs associated with the construction of Phase II overhead configuration labeled the "North Bridge Alignment" as defined by the Settlement Agreement that was approved by the Energy Facility Siting Board in Docket 2003-1.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.