

1 AN ACT relating to the metering of electric service.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 278 IS CREATED TO
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 (1) As used in this section, "smart meter" means a time-based digital meter and
6 related communication equipment capable of being part of a system that receives,
7 stores, measures and records electricity usage data on a time-differentiated basis
8 and provides two-way communication for real-time monitoring of electricity
9 consumption.

10 (2) A retail electric supplier shall give not less than thirty (30) days written notice to
11 its electric customer before commencing to replace that customer's existing
12 analog electric meter with a smart meter. If the customers owns the premises
13 upon which the meter is to be installed, he or she shall have thirty (30) days to opt
14 out of having the smart meter installed. The right to opt out of a smart meter
15 installation shall not apply to a customer whose meter is not recording the
16 electricity used at the premises accurately or the electric meter is otherwise
17 malfunctioning.

18 (3) Customers of the retail electric supplier shall not be charged:

19 (a) For the installation of the smart meter by the retail electric supplier or by
20 any company contracted by the electric retail supplier; or

21 (b) A surcharge or fee for opting out of having the smart meter installed.