

SENATE NO. 1966

AN ACT REQUIRING ACCURATE PRICING OF DEFAULT SERVICE

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,
And by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Subsection (d) of Section 1B of Chapter 164 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 replacing the second and third sentence of the subsection with the following:

3 “The distribution company shall procure such service through competitive bidding; provided,
4 however, that all bids shall include payment options with rates that remain uniform for periods of up to
5 six months. Any department-approved provider of service, including an affiliate of a distribution
6 company, shall be eligible to participate in the competitive bidding process. Default services rates
7 shall reflect all costs that are both incurred by a distribution company relating to default service and
8 approved by the department for recovery; no costs incurred by a distribution company relating to
9 default service shall be recovered in distribution or other rates.”

10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.