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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'Resolve, Regarding Commercial Electricity Customers
Whose Bills Increased after a Decrease in Electricity Use'**

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1 Best rate option; credit for affected customers. Resolved: That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Public Utilities Commission shall direct the transmission and distribution utility serving those commercial electricity customers that are eligible for the best rate option pursuant to the final order in Public Utilities Commission Docket # 2009-397 dated March 5, 2010 that experienced higher electricity bills after decreasing their electricity use and to credit such a commercial electricity customer in a manner approved by the commission for the difference between what the customer was actually charged for delivery service during the 12-month period preceding the date of the final order and what the customer would have been charged under the best rate option during that period.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve. The amendment addresses those commercial electricity customers that experienced higher electricity bills after a decrease in electricity use and that have been found to be eligible for the best rate option in the Public Utilities Commission's investigation into rate class changes applicable to transmission and distribution general service customers due to energy efficiency or demand reduction, Public Utilities Commission Docket # 2009-397. The amendment requires that those particular commercial customers receive credits for the difference between what the customers were actually charged for delivery service during the 12-month period preceding the commission's final order in Public Utilities Commission Docket # 2009-397 and what the customers would have been charged under the best rate option during that period.