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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the City of Vero Beach, Indian
3	River County; providing that the City of Vero Beach
4	Electric Utility, a utility with customers residing
5	outside the city, is subject to the jurisdiction of
6	the Public Service Commission; requiring that the city
7	set rates that are fair, just, and reasonable for the
8	outside customers; authorizing the Public Service
9	Commission to enforce this act and adopt rules;
10	providing for representation by the Public Counsel of
11	the outside customers of the utility; providing an
12	effective date.
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14	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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16	Section 1. Customers of the City of Vero Beach Electric
17	Utility residing outside of the city's municipal boundaries with
18	the rates, charges, and service for those outside customers set
19	directly or indirectly by the City of Vero Beach shall be
20	subject to the full rate setting jurisdiction of the Public
21	Service Commission.
22	Section 2. Notwithstanding ss. 366.02(1) and 366.11(1),
23	Florida Statutes, the rates, charges, and service for those City
24	of Vero Beach Electric Utility customers residing outside the
25	city's municipal boundaries shall be subject to the full retail
26	rate setting jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission, as
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27	conferred upon it in chapter 366, Florida Statutes, and the
28	rates, charges, and service charged to outside customers shall
29	be fair, just, and reasonable, in accordance with s. 366.06,
30	Florida Statutes, and determined by the Public Service
31	Commission in accordance with ss. 366.041, 366.06, 366.07,
32	366.071, 366.072, 366.075, and 366.076.
33	Section 3. The Public Service Commission shall have
34	jurisdiction to enforce this act and may adopt rules to
35	implement this act.
36	Section 4. The Public Counsel shall provide legal
37	representation for the customers of the City of Vero Beach
38	Electric Utility residing outside the city's municipal
39	boundaries in proceedings before the Public Service Commission
40	in accordance with the Public Counsel's powers and duties as
41	prescribed in chapter 350, Florida Statutes.
42	Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
43	law.
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