

ASSEMBLY TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND UTILITIES
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1683

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 29, 2018

The Assembly Telecommunications and Utilities Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1683.

As reported, this bill increases civil penalties for energy “slamming” practices from \$10,000 for the first offense, and not more than \$25,000 for the second and each subsequent offense, to \$20,000 for the first offense, and not more than \$50,000 for the second and each subsequent offense. Energy “slamming” is a practice that involves changing consumers’ electric power or gas supplier without their knowledge or consent.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2018-2019 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.