

**SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 1999 SENATE BILL 215**

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1 **AN ACT** *to create* 196.637 of the statutes; **relating to:** reports to credit reporting
2 agencies by public utilities.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 **SECTION 1.** 196.637 of the statutes is created to read:

4 **196.637 Reports to credit reporting agencies. (1)** If a public utility has
5 reported a customer’s delinquent account to a credit reporting agency and the public
6 utility and the customer enter into a deferred payment agreement regarding the
7 delinquent account, the public utility shall report the terms of the agreement and the
8 customer’s subsequent payment history with respect to the account to the credit
9 reporting agency.

10 **(2)** A public utility that makes an error in reporting a customer’s delinquent
11 account, or in reporting a customer’s payment history under sub. (1), to a credit

1 reporting agency shall correct the error and notify the credit reporting agency no
2 later than 30 days after the public utility has notice of the error.

3 **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

4 (1) The treatment of section 196.637 (1) of the statutes first applies to
5 agreements made on the effective date of this subsection.

6 (2) The treatment of section 196.637 (2) of the statutes first applies to reports
7 for which public utilities have notice of error on the effective date of this subsection.

8 (END)