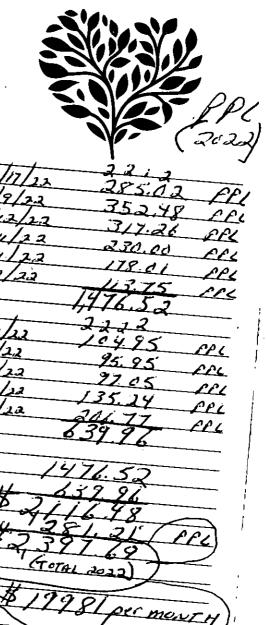
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GOV. ED RENDELL AND GOV. MARK SCHWEIKER **GUEST WRITERS** 

Few issues in Pennsylvania have united Republicans and Democrats over the years like the prospect of ensuring that our youngest learners are ready to succeed through high-quality pre-K programs like Pre-K Counts and Head Start.

In fact, a September 2023 Susquehanna Polling and Research poll showed that 94% of Pennsylvania voters believe that early learning is important, and 71% support increasing state funding to





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## **PPL:** State seeking public comments

FROM PAGE A1

The PPL billing issues started in December 2022, when the company discovered that customer data was not transferring from its meter data management software to its customer service system.

The transfer problems resulted in sending only "estimated" bills.

Later, human error caused additional incorrect bills to be issued while other customers received no bills or "wildly inaccurate bills," according to a settlement proposed by the PUC's independent Bureau of Investigation and Enforcement.

The PUC said from December 2022 to April 2023, 48,000 PPL accounts received no bills during one or more

months. Between December and January, nearly 795,000 "estimated" bills were issued, with most estimates being about 10% or greater than the actual customer usage of electricity.

Under the proposed settlement, PPL has agreed to pay a \$1 million fine and another \$16.2 million in costs to settle complaints over the billing matter.

The company has agreed to absorb the costs and not pass them on to customers in future rate hikes.

PPL Electric, which is a subsidiary of PPL Corp., distributes electricity to 1.5 million customers in 29 east and central Pennsylvania counties.

A notice of the public comment period appeared in Saturday's Pennsylvania Bulletin.



# Public input sought

### Settlement \$17 million

#### BY ANTHONY SALAMONE

THE MORNING CALL

Customers and other interested parties have until 4:30 p.m. Feb. 28 to comment on a proposed \$17.2 million settlement with PPL Electric Utilities related to major billing errors that plagued hundreds of customers and more systemwide.

The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission said Monday the best way to file comments is to use the PUC's free eFiling account on its pa.puc. gov website.

Comments can also be submitted by mail, with overnight delivery recommended to ensure meeting the filing deadline, using the following address: Secretary, Public Utility Commission, Commonwealth Keystone Building, 400 North St., Harrisburg, PA 17120.

Anyone who comments should reference the PUC docket number for the case: M-2023-3038060. Comments can't be sent by email or fax, the PUC said in a news release.

After reaching a \$17.2 million joint agreement with PPL in November, the commission voted last month to open the settlement for public comment. Christ, 520 Chestnut St., will have a winter carnival from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 17. The event will include games, basket raffles, food and soup/bake sales. All are welcome. For more information, email brookemaherO2@gmail.com.

#### Liewellyn

The auxiliary of Good Intent Hose Company No. 1, 12 Silverton Road, will have a soup sale, with a variety of choices, on a first-come basis, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 17. The cost is \$10 per quart. For tickets, call 570-544-4419.

#### **Pottsville**

Providence Place Senior Living, 2200 First Ave., will have an advance-order, take-out soup sale from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 16. A variety of soup is available at \$12 per quart and \$6 per pint, with cash or check payments accepted. To order or for more information, call 570-628-6950.

#### Shenandoah

The Shenandoah Area Free Public Library recently acknowledged the following memorials: for Shirley Bauser from Eve Bauser: for Dave Becker from Marty and Maryann Kelly, Julie Buchinsky.

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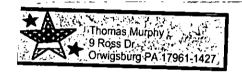
The Tremont Fire Company, 21 Middlecreek Road, has a sportsman bingo for people 18 or older scheduled for April 14. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m.; bingo will begin at 1 p.m. The cost is \$50, which includes 20 regular games. People will be able to buy tickets for three specials at the door. Food and beverages will be on sale. For tickets or more information, call Justin at 570-875-9637 or Brian at 570-527-1392.

#### Lottery

Monday, Feb. 5 POWERBALL 1-2-27-30-67 PB: 9 PP: 5 DOUBLE PLAY 1-7-35-52-54 PB: 20

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