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5 On page 2, after line 6, insert the following:

6 "(3) A city or town may provide a tenant or a tenant's designee
7 with duplicates of the utility service bills for the property leased or
8 rented by the tenant but paid for by the landlord, or may notify a
9 tenant or the tenant's designee that a landlord's utility account is
10 delinquent. However, if a tenant or the tenant's designee notifies the
11 city or town in writing that a property served by the city or town is
12 a rental property, asks to be notified of a landlord's delinquency, and
13 has provided, in writing, a complete and accurate mailing address, the
14 city or town shall notify the tenant or the tenant's designee of a
15 landlord's delinquency at the same time and in the same manner the city
16 or town notifies the landlord of the landlord's delinquency, or by
17 mail."

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21 On page 4, after line 7, insert the following:

22 "(8) A district may provide a tenant or a tenant's designee with
23 duplicates of the utility service bills for the property leased or
24 rented by the tenant but paid for by the landlord, or may notify a
25 tenant or the tenant's designee that a landlord's utility account is
26 delinquent. However, if a tenant or the tenant's designee notifies the
27 district in writing that a property served by the district is a rental
28 property, asks to be notified of a landlord's delinquency, and has
29 provided, in writing, a complete and accurate mailing address, the
30 district shall notify the tenant or the tenant's designee of a
31 landlord's delinquency at the same time and in the same manner the
32 district notifies the landlord of the landlord's delinquency, or by
33 mail."

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4 On page 6, line 36, after "(9)" insert "A board may provide a
5 tenant or a tenant's designee with duplicates of the utility service
6 bills for the property leased or rented by the tenant but paid for by
7 the landlord, or may notify a tenant or the tenant's designee that a
8 landlord's utility account is delinquent. However, if a tenant or the
9 tenant's designee notifies the board in writing that a property served
10 by the board is a rental property, asks to be notified of a landlord's
11 delinquency, and has provided, in writing, a complete and accurate
12 mailing address, the board shall notify the tenant or the tenant's
13 designee of a landlord's delinquency at the same time and in the same
14 manner the board notifies the landlord of the landlord's delinquency,
15 or by mail.

16 (10)"

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20 On page 7, at the beginning of line 7, strike "(10)" and insert
21 "(11)"

22 EFFECT: Extends to tenants the same right to be notified of
23 delinquent utility bills that is provided to property owners/landlords
24 in the underlying bill. Both landlords and tenants may request
25 notification by the utility when the other is delinquent on utility
26 accounts.

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