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Abstract: Requires utility companies to provide aggregate energy meter totals to certain property owners.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the definition of "borrower", "Green MIP", "HUD", and "whole building data".

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that an energy utility provider shall provide to a borrower the whole building data of the preceding year by Jan. 31 if all of the following qualifications are met:

- (1) The requestor is the owner, or designee of the owner, of the building or buildings for which the whole building data is being requested and is a certified borrower under the HUD Green MIP certification program.
- (2) The multifamily building or buildings are HUD Green MIP-certified.
- (3) There are eight or more units being occupied by tenants in the multifamily building or buildings.

<u>Proposed law provides that a request outlined in proposed law shall be sent in writing, either by mail or email, to an energy utility provider and shall include all of the following information:</u>

- (1) The address for the building or buildings for which the whole building data is being requested.
- (2) Documentation that the owner, or designee of the owner, of the building or buildings for which the whole building data is being requested is a certified borrower under the HUD Green MIP certification.
- (3) Documentation that the building or buildings for which the whole building data is being requested is HUD Green MIP certified.
- (4) The contact information of the borrower, or the designee of the borrower, including a valid email address.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the information provided to the borrower shall only contain the whole building data and shall not contain any of the following:

- (1) Any identifying information of any tenant in the building or buildings.
- (2) The total amount of energy each individual unit has consumed.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that if a request meets all of the requirements of <u>proposed law</u>, the utility provider shall notify the borrower within 30 days of the request. The utility provider shall then provide the whole building data of the preceding year by email to the requestor by Jan. 31.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that if the borrower, or designee of the borrower, is granted the request for whole building data in accordance with <u>proposed law</u>, a utility company will comply with the request by Jan. 31 until any of the following occurs:

- (1) A calendar year after the request had been made, if a renewal did not take place.
- (2) The building or buildings subject to the request change ownership.
- (3) The borrower, or designee of the borrower, informs the energy utility provider, either by mail or email, that he no longer wants to receive the whole building data.

<u>Proposed law</u> states that nothing in <u>proposed law</u> prevents an energy utility company from creating easier access to whole building data for borrowers or owners utilizing other energy efficient certifications.

(Adds R.S. 40:600.161)