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# ACT 129: ENERGY SAVINGS FOR CONSUMERS

## THOUSANDS OF JOBS FOR PENNSYLVANIA WORKERS

### PENNSYLVANIA'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY LAW: ACT 129

- Act 129 requires each of the seven Pennsylvania electric distribution companies to reduce energy demand and consumption within its service territory.
- Utilities meet Act 129 targets by contracting with third parties called Conservation Service Providers that implement programs.
  - Types of programs include high-efficiency appliance and lighting rebates, building retrofits, and smart meter installation, among others.
  - Programs are paid for by utilities as a more cost-effective alternative to expenditures on new power generation, transmission, and distribution infrastructure.

### ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS DELIVER SAVINGS FOR ALL BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS

- Act 129 has delivered \$6.4 billion in benefits to Pennsylvania electric customers in its first seven years.
- For every dollar spent, Act 129 delivered \$2.10 in benefits; efficiency programs must be cost-effective and savings are verified by third parties.
- Five and a half percent of savings must come from programs for low-income customers.

### PENNSYLVANIA'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS SUPPORT LOCAL JOBS

- Energy efficiency accounts for 62,431 Pennsylvania jobs, according to a 2017 report from the Department of Energy.
- More than half of Pennsylvania's energy efficiency jobs are found in the construction sector. These are local jobs that cannot be outsourced.
- The energy efficiency workforce includes electricians, engineers, trained technicians, financial analysts, construction workers, facility managers, software developers, marketing professionals and other specialists.