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The Legislature and Gov. Jennifer Granholm have "succeeded" in pushing up electric rates across Michigan.

One bit of good news to come out of the passage of this bad deal, though, is for the customers of Lansing's Board of Water & Light. They escape most of the impact of this mistake - another selling point for the Lansing area.

Under the state's legislation, residential customers of Consumers Energy and Detroit Edison can expect bills to rise 8 percent to 12 percent.

This was necessary, argue the governor and lawmakers, to get the utilities on board with a requirement for generating more renewable power at home. They also argue this will create savings in the future as Michigan creates electricity here to feed its growing power needs, rather than buying it at higher rates from other places.

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