SB136 City of Flint Customer Bill Relief Appropriation

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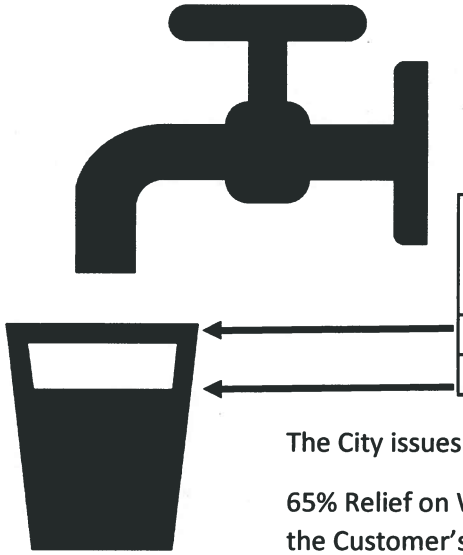
WATER BILL RELIEF



	April 2014 to April 2016	April 2014 to December 2016
100% Relief	$ 70,000,000	$ 89,000,000
65%/20% Relief	$ 28,500,000	$ 34,000,000

The City issues combined water/sewer bills.

65% Relief on Water ONLY represents approximately 32.5% of the Customer's total bill.

OTHER FACTS AND FIGURES

- 29,941 Active Accounts
- Over $18 million in outstanding balances
- $11.3 million in bills over 90 days past due
- 7,787,266 records in the underlying billing data for the period 4/2014 to 4/2016
- April 2016 target date to distribute billing relief
- 170 customers less per day paying their bills
- August 2016 with current collections and no appropriation Water Fund runs out of cash

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The City of Flint appreciates the responsiveness of the State of Michigan to this crisis in considering a $30 million appropriations. The water crisis has impacted the City in tremendous ways. Although the negative financial impact on the City was immediate and lasting, this bill responds to the needs of the City's residents for financial relief since the switch to Flint River water in April 2014.