



HOUSE BILL No. 5206

December 9, 1999, Introduced by Reps. Spade, Neumann, Middaugh, Howell, Birkholz, Bishop, Kuipers, Bradstreet, Allen, Faunce, Van Woerkom, Tabor, Stallworth, Ruth Johnson, Thomas, Woodward, Gielegem, Schauer, Hale, Hansen, Daniels and Richardville and referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

A bill to amend 1939 PA 3, entitled

"An act to provide for the regulation and control of public utilities and other services affected with a public interest within this state; to create a public service commission and to prescribe and define its powers and duties; to abolish the Michigan public utilities commission and to confer the powers and duties vested by law therein on the public service commission; to provide for the continuance, transfer, and completion of certain matters and proceedings; to abolish automatic adjustment clauses; to prohibit rate increases without notice and hearing; to qualify residential energy conservation programs permitted under state law for certain federal exemption; to provide for a restructuring of rates for certain utilities; to encourage the utilization of resource recovery facilities; to provide for appeals; to provide appropriations; to declare the effect of this act; to prescribe penalties; and to repeal all acts contrary to this act,"

(MCL 460.1 to 460.8) by adding section 91.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 91. (1) A NATURAL GAS SUPPLIER OR DISTRIBUTOR SHALL
- 2 NOT INCLUDE OR ADD OPTIONAL PRODUCTS OR SERVICES TO A CUSTOMER'S
- 3 ACCOUNT OR BILL FOR THOSE PRODUCTS OR SERVICES WITHOUT THE
- 4 AUTHORIZATION OF THE CUSTOMER.

1 (2) THE COMMISSION SHALL ISSUE ORDERS TO ENSURE THAT A
2 NATURAL GAS SUPPLIER OR DISTRIBUTOR DOES NOT ASSIGN, INCLUDE, OR
3 ADD OPTIONAL PRODUCTS OR SERVICES TO A CUSTOMER'S ACCOUNT OR BILL
4 FOR SUCH PRODUCTS OR SERVICES WITHOUT THE CUSTOMER'S ORAL AUTHO-
5 RIZATION, WRITTEN CONFIRMATION, CONFIRMATION THROUGH AN INDEPEN-
6 DENT THIRD PARTY, OR OTHER VERIFICATION PROCEDURES APPROVED BY
7 THE COMMISSION CONFIRMING THE CUSTOMER'S INTENT TO RECEIVE THE
8 OPTIONAL PRODUCTS OR SERVICES.

9 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take
10 effect unless all of the following bills of the 90th Legislature
11 are enacted into law:

12 (a) Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 5201 (request
13 no. 04283'99).

14 (b) Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 5202 (request
15 no. 04283'99 a).

16 (c) Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 5203 (request
17 no. 04283'99 b *).

18 (d) Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 5204 (request
19 no. 04283'99 c *).

20 (e) Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 5205 (request
21 no. 04283'99 d).

22 (f) Senate Bill No. _____ or House Bill No. 5207 (request
23 no. 04283'99 e).