

SENATE BILL No. 534

May 5, 2009, Introduced by Senators ANDERSON, CLARKE, OLSHOVE and CHERRY and referred to the Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.

A bill to amend 1939 PA 3, entitled

"An act to provide for the regulation and control of public and certain private utilities and other services affected with a public interest within this state; to provide for alternative energy suppliers; to provide for licensing; to include municipally owned utilities and other providers of energy under certain provisions of this act; 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 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 certain rate increases without notice and hearing; to qualify residential energy conservation programs permitted under state law for certain federal exemption; to create a fund; to provide for a restructuring of the manner in which energy is provided in this state; to encourage the utilization of resource recovery facilities; to prohibit certain acts and practices of providers of energy; to allow for the securitization of stranded costs; to reduce rates; to provide for appeals; to provide appropriations; to declare the effect and purpose of this act; to prescribe remedies and penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

(MCL 460.1 to 460.11) by adding section 9g.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 9G. (1) A PROVIDER SHALL ALLOW A CUSTOMER TO DESIGNATE A
2 THIRD PARTY TO RECEIVE SHUTOFF NOTICES FROM THE PROVIDER ON THE
3 CUSTOMER'S BEHALF.

4 (2) A PROVIDER SHALL BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH SUBSECTION (1) BY
5 NOVEMBER 1, 2009. THE COMMISSION MAY GRANT AN EXTENSION TO A
6 PROVIDER FOR COMPLIANCE WITH SUBSECTION (1).

7 (3) THE COMMISSION MAY PROMULGATE RULES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION
8 AND COMPLIANCE OF SUBSECTION (1).

9 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "PROVIDER" MEANS AN ELECTRIC
10 UTILITY, COOPERATIVE ELECTRIC UTILITY, ALTERNATIVE ELECTRIC
11 SUPPLIER, OR AN INVESTOR-OWNED BUSINESS ENGAGED IN THE SALE AND
12 DISTRIBUTION OF NATURAL GAS WITHIN THIS STATE WHOSE RATES ARE
13 REGULATED BY THE COMMISSION.