

# HOUSE BILL No. 4304

March 5, 2015, Introduced by Reps. Sheppard and Nesbitt and referred to the Committee on Energy Policy.

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 6f.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

**SEC. 6F. THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT ALLOW A NATURAL GAS UTILITY**

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1 TO RECOVER IN RATES ANY FINES OR PENALTIES INCURRED BY THAT UTILITY  
2 UNDER THIS ACT, 1929 PA 9, MCL 483.101 TO 483.120, OR 1969 PA 165,  
3 MCL 483.151 TO 483.162.

4 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days  
5 after the date it is enacted into law.