

HB1477



102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 2/17/2021, by Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

220 ILCS 5/8-202

from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 8-202

Amends the Public Utilities Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning termination notices.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Public Utilities Act is amended by changing
5 Section 8-202 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/8-202) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 8-202)

7 Sec. 8-202. Any public utility, or two or more public
8 utilities, which furnishes electricity or gas for space
9 heating shall, during the ~~the~~ calendar months of November,
10 December, January, February, and March:

11 (a) give written notice of its intention to terminate or
12 cut off such service or supply for any reason, other than by
13 request of the customer, to the customer. Such notice shall be
14 sent by U.S. Mail at least 8 days prior to termination of
15 service or supply or delivered by other means to the customer 5
16 days prior to such termination; and

17 (b) deliver written notice of intention to terminate or
18 cut off such service or supply for any reason, other than by
19 request of the customer, to the Director of the local
20 department of public health or, if there is no local
21 department of public health, then to the township supervisor
22 or, if there is no township supervisor, then to the county
23 sheriff where the premises receiving such service or supply is

1 located; and

2 (c) send, by certified mail, prior written notice of its
3 intention to terminate or cut off such service or supply for
4 any reason, other than by request of the customer, to the owner
5 of record and/or the mortgagee of the premises receiving such
6 service or supply, should the owner of record or mortgagee
7 make request to the public utility for any such notice.

8 The notice required by paragraphs (b) and (c) of this
9 Section shall be delivered or mailed at least 24 hours and not
10 more than 48 hours prior to the termination of service or
11 supply.

12 Any termination notice delivered or mailed to a customer
13 shall include a statement advising said customer that the
14 township supervisor, local department of public health, or
15 county sheriff, and the owner and/or the mortgagee, if
16 applicable, will be notified of the termination action at
17 least 24 hours prior to the termination of service or supply.

18 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the power
19 of the Commission to adopt other rules and regulations
20 pursuant to service termination notices.

21 No public official to whom notice is given pursuant to
22 subparagraph (b) of this Section shall be liable for death,
23 injury or damages resulting from cut-off of electricity or gas
24 service or supply.

25 (Source: P.A. 84-617.)