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1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3808
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 3808 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:
4 5	"Section 5. The Public Utilities Act is amended by changing Sections 16-108.5, 21-201, and 21-801 as follows:
6	(220 ILCS 5/16-108.5)
7	Sec. 16-108.5. Infrastructure investment and
8	modernization; regulatory reform.
9	(a) (Blank).
10	(b) For purposes of this Section, "participating utility"
11	means an electric utility or a combination utility serving
12	more than 1,000,000 customers in Illinois that voluntarily
13	elects and commits to undertake (i) the infrastructure
14	investment program consisting of the commitments and
15	obligations described in this subsection (b) and (ii) the
16	customer assistance program consisting of the commitments and

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1 obligations described in subsection (b-10) of this Section, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act and without 2 obtaining any approvals from the Commission or any other 3 4 agency other than as set forth in this Section, regardless of 5 whether any such approval would otherwise be required. 6 "Combination utility" means a utility that, as of January 1, 2011, provided electric service to at least one million retail 7 8 customers in Illinois and gas service to at least 500,000 retail customers in Illinois. A participating utility shall 9 10 recover the expenditures made under the infrastructure 11 investment program through the ratemaking process, including, but not limited to, the performance-based formula rate and 12 13 process set forth in this Section.

14 During the infrastructure investment program's peak 15 program year, a participating utility other than a combination 16 utility shall create 2,000 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois, and a participating utility that is a combination 17 18 utility shall create 450 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois related to the provision of electric service. These jobs shall 19 20 include direct jobs, contractor positions, and induced jobs, 21 but shall not include any portion of a job commitment, not 22 specifically contingent on an amendatory Act of the 97th 23 General Assembly becoming law, between a participating utility 24 and a labor union that existed on December 30, 2011 (the 25 effective date of Public Act 97-646) and that has not yet been 26 fulfilled. A portion of the full-time equivalent jobs created 10300HB3808sam001 -3- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

by each participating utility shall include incremental personnel hired subsequent to December 30, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 97-646). For purposes of this Section, "peak program year" means the consecutive 12-month period with the highest number of full-time equivalent jobs that occurs between the beginning of investment year 2 and the end of investment year 4.

8 A participating utility shall meet one of the following 9 commitments, as applicable:

10 Beginning no later than 180 days after a (1)participating utility other than a combination utility 11 files a performance-based formula rate tariff pursuant to 12 13 subsection (c) of this Section, or, beginning no later January 1, 2012 if such utility files 14 than such 15 performance-based formula rate tariff within 14 days of 16 October 26, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 97-616), the participating utility shall, except as 17 provided in subsection (b-5): 18

(A) over a 5-year period, invest an estimated
\$1,300,000,000 in electric system upgrades,
modernization projects, and training facilities,
including, but not limited to:

(i) distribution infrastructure improvements
 totaling an estimated \$1,000,000,000, including
 underground residential distribution cable
 injection and replacement and mainline cable

system refurbishment and replacement projects; 1 (ii) training facility construction or upgrade 3 projects totaling an estimated \$10,000,000, provided that, at a minimum, one such facility 4 5 shall be located in a municipality having a population of more than 2 million residents and 6 be 7 such facility shall located in one а 8 municipality having a population of more than 9 150,000 residents but fewer than 170,000 10 residents; any such new facility located in a 11 municipality having a population of more than 2 12 million residents must be designed for the purpose 13 of obtaining, and the owner of the facility shall 14 apply for, certification under the United States 15 Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy 16 Efficiency Design Green Building Rating System;

(iii) wood pole inspection, treatment, and 17 18 replacement programs;

(iv) an estimated \$200,000,000 for reducing 19 20 the susceptibility of certain circuits to 21 storm-related damage, including, but not limited 22 to, high winds, thunderstorms, and ice storms; 23 improvements may include, but are not limited to, 24 overhead to underground conversion and other 25 engineered outcomes for circuits; the 26 participating utility shall prioritize the

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selection of circuits based on each circuit's 1 historical susceptibility to storm-related damage 2 3 and the ability to provide the greatest customer benefit upon completion of the improvements; to be 4 eliqible for improvement, the participating 5 utility's ability to maintain proper tree 6 clearances surrounding the overhead circuit must 7 8 not have been impeded by third parties; and 9 (B) over a 10-year period, invest an estimated 10 \$1,300,000,000 to upgrade and modernize its 11 transmission and distribution infrastructure and in Smart Grid electric system upgrades, including, but 12 13 not limited to: (i) additional smart meters; 14 15 (ii) distribution automation; 16 associated cyber secure (iii) data 17 communication network; and (iv) substation micro-processor relay 18 19 upgrades. 20 Beginning no later than 180 days after (2) a 21 participating utility that is a combination utility files a performance-based formula rate tariff pursuant to 22 23 subsection (c) of this Section, or, beginning no later 24 January 1, 2012 if such utility files than such 25 performance-based formula rate tariff within 14 days of 26 October 26, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act -6- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

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97-616), the participating utility shall, except as
 provided in subsection (b-5):

3 (A) over a 10-year period, invest an estimated
4 \$265,000,000 in electric system upgrades,
5 modernization projects, and training facilities,
6 including, but not limited to:

(i) distribution infrastructure improvements 7 8 totaling an estimated \$245,000,000, which may 9 include bulk supply substations, transformers, 10 reconductoring, and rebuilding overhead 11 distribution and sub-transmission lines, underground residential distribution 12 cable 13 injection and replacement and mainline cable 14 system refurbishment and replacement projects;

15 (ii) training facility construction or upgrade 16 projects totaling an estimated \$1,000,000; any 17 such new facility must be designed for the purpose 18 of obtaining, and the owner of the facility shall apply for, certification under the United States 19 20 Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy Efficiency Design Green Building Rating System; 21 22 and

(iii) wood pole inspection, treatment, and
 replacement programs; and

(B) over a 10-year period, invest an estimated
 \$360,000,000 to upgrade and modernize its transmission

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1 and distribution infrastructure and in Smart Grid 2 electric system upgrades, including, but not limited 3 to:

(i) additional smart meters;

(ii) distribution automation;

6 (iii) associated cyber secure data 7 communication network; and

8 (iv) substation micro-processor relay 9 upgrades.

For purposes of this Section, "Smart Grid electric system upgrades" shall have the meaning set forth in subsection (a) of Section 16-108.6 of this Act.

The investments in the infrastructure investment program 13 14 described in this subsection (b) shall be incremental to the 15 participating utility's annual capital investment program, as 16 defined by, for purposes of this subsection (b), the participating utility's average capital spend for calendar 17 years 2008, 2009, and 2010 as reported in the applicable 18 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Form 1; provided 19 20 that where one or more utilities have merged, the average 21 capital spend shall be determined using the aggregate of the 22 merged utilities' capital spend reported in FERC Form 1 for 23 the years 2008, 2009, and 2010. A participating utility may 24 add reasonable construction ramp-up and ramp-down time to the 25 investment periods specified in this subsection (b). For each 26 such investment period, the ramp-up and ramp-down time shall

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not exceed a total of 6 months.

Within 60 days after filing a tariff under subsection (c) 2 3 of this Section, a participating utility shall submit to the 4 Commission its plan, including scope, schedule, and staffing, 5 its infrastructure investment for satisfying program commitments pursuant to this subsection (b). The submitted 6 plan shall include a schedule and staffing plan for the next 7 8 calendar year. The plan shall also include a plan for the 9 creation, operation, and administration of a Smart Grid test 10 bed as described in subsection (c) of Section 16-108.8. The 11 plan need not allocate the work equally over the respective periods, but should allocate material increments throughout 12 13 such periods commensurate with the work to be undertaken. No 14 later than April 1 of each subsequent year, the utility shall 15 submit to the Commission a report that includes any updates to 16 the plan, a schedule for the next calendar vear, the 17 expenditures made for the prior calendar year and cumulatively, and the number of full-time equivalent jobs 18 created for the prior calendar year and cumulatively. If the 19 20 utility is materially deficient in satisfying a schedule or 21 staffing plan, then the report must also include a corrective 22 action plan to address the deficiency. The fact that the plan, 23 implementation of the plan, or a schedule changes shall not 24 imply the imprudence or unreasonableness of the infrastructure 25 investment program, plan, or schedule. Further, no later than 26 45 days following the last day of the first, second, and third 10300HB3808sam001 -9- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 quarters of each year of the plan, a participating utility shall submit to the Commission a verified quarterly report for 2 the prior quarter that includes (i) the total number of 3 4 full-time equivalent jobs created during the prior quarter, 5 (ii) the total number of employees as of the last day of the prior quarter, (iii) the total number of full-time equivalent 6 hours in each job classification or job title, (iv) the total 7 8 number of incremental employees and contractors in support of 9 the investments undertaken pursuant to this subsection (b) for 10 the prior quarter, and (v) any other information that the 11 Commission may require by rule.

With respect to the participating utility's peak job 12 13 commitment, if, after considering the utility's corrective 14 action plan and compliance thereunder, the Commission enters 15 order finding, after notice and hearing, that an а 16 participating utility did not satisfy its peak job commitment described in this subsection (b) for reasons that are 17 reasonably within its control, then the Commission shall also 18 determine, after consideration of the evidence, including, but 19 20 not limited to, evidence submitted by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity and the utility, the 21 22 deficiency in the number of full-time equivalent jobs during 23 the peak program year due to such failure. The Commission 24 shall notify the Department of any proceeding that is 25 initiated pursuant to this paragraph. For each full-time 26 equivalent job deficiency during the peak program year that 10300HB3808sam001 -10- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 the Commission finds as set forth in this paragraph, the 2 participating utility shall, within 30 days after the entry of 3 the Commission's order, pay \$6,000 to a fund for training 4 grants administered under Section 605-800 of the Department of 5 Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law, which shall not be a 6 recoverable expense.

With respect to the participating utility's investment 7 amount commitments, if, after considering the utility's 8 9 corrective action plan and compliance thereunder, the 10 Commission enters an order finding, after notice and hearing, 11 that a participating utility is not satisfying its investment amount commitments described in this subsection (b), then the 12 13 utility shall no longer be eligible to annually update the 14 performance-based formula rate tariff pursuant to subsection 15 (d) of this Section. In such event, the then current rates 16 shall remain in effect until such time as new rates are set pursuant to Article IX of this Act, subject to retroactive 17 adjustment, with interest, to reconcile rates charged with 18 actual costs. 19

If the Commission finds that a participating utility is no longer eligible to update the performance-based formula rate tariff pursuant to subsection (d) of this Section, or the performance-based formula rate is otherwise terminated, then the participating utility's voluntary commitments and obligations under this subsection (b) shall immediately terminate, except for the utility's obligation to pay an amount already owed to the fund for training grants pursuant
 to a Commission order.

In meeting the obligations of this subsection (b), to the 3 4 extent feasible and consistent with State and federal law, the 5 investments under the infrastructure investment program should provide employment opportunities for all segments of the 6 and workforce, including minority-owned 7 population and female-owned business enterprises, and shall not, consistent 8 9 with State and federal law, discriminate based on race or 10 socioeconomic status.

11 Nothing in this Section shall prohibit (b-5) the Commission from investigating the prudence and reasonableness 12 of the expenditures made under the infrastructure investment 13 14 program during the annual review required by subsection (d) of 15 this Section and shall, as part of such investigation, 16 determine whether the utility's actual costs under the program are prudent and reasonable. The fact that a participating 17 utility invests more than the minimum amounts specified in 18 subsection (b) of this Section or its plan shall not imply 19 20 imprudence or unreasonableness.

If the participating utility finds that it is implementing its plan for satisfying the infrastructure investment program commitments described in subsection (b) of this Section at a cost below the estimated amounts specified in subsection (b) of this Section, then the utility may file a petition with the Commission requesting that it be permitted to satisfy its 10300HB3808sam001 -12- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 commitments by spending less than the estimated amounts 2 specified in subsection (b) of this Section. The Commission 3 shall, after notice and hearing, enter its order approving, or 4 approving as modified, or denying each such petition within 5 150 days after the filing of the petition.

6 In no event, absent General Assembly approval, shall the capital investment costs incurred by a participating utility 7 combination utility in satisfying 8 other than а its 9 infrastructure investment program commitments described in 10 subsection (b) of this Section exceed \$3,000,000,000 or, for a 11 participating utility that is a combination utility, \$720,000,000. If the participating utility's updated cost 12 13 estimates for satisfying its infrastructure investment program commitments described in subsection (b) of this Section exceed 14 15 the limitation imposed by this subsection (b-5), then it shall 16 submit a report to the Commission that identifies the increased costs and explains the reason or reasons for the 17 increased costs no later than the year in which the utility 18 estimates it will exceed the limitation. The Commission shall 19 20 review the report and shall, within 90 days after the 21 participating utility files the report, report to the General 22 Assembly its findings regarding the participating utility's 23 report. If the General Assembly does not amend the limitation 24 imposed by this subsection (b-5), then the utility may modify 25 its plan so as not to exceed the limitation imposed by this 26 subsection (b-5) and may propose corresponding changes to the

1 metrics established pursuant to subparagraphs (5) through (8) 2 of subsection (f) of this Section, and the Commission may 3 modify the metrics and incremental savings goals established 4 pursuant to subsection (f) of this Section accordingly.

5 participating utilities (b-10) All shall make 6 contributions for an energy low-income and support program in accordance with this subsection. Beginning no later than 180 7 8 days after a participating utility files a performance-based 9 formula rate tariff pursuant to subsection (c) of this 10 Section, or beginning no later than January 1, 2012 if such 11 utility files such performance-based formula rate tariff within 14 days of December 30, 2011 (the effective date of 12 Public Act 97-646), and without obtaining any approvals from 13 14 the Commission or any other agency other than as set forth in 15 this Section, regardless of whether any such approval would 16 otherwise be required, a participating utility other than a combination utility shall pay \$10,000,000 per year for 5 years 17 and a participating utility that is a combination utility 18 shall pay \$1,000,000 per year for 10 years to the energy 19 20 low-income and support program, which is intended to fund customer assistance programs with the primary purpose being 21 22 avoidance of imminent disconnection. Such programs may 23 include:

(1) a residential hardship program that may partner
 with community-based organizations, including senior
 citizen organizations, and provides grants to low-income

residential customers, including low-income senior
 citizens, who demonstrate a hardship;

3 (2) a program that provides grants and other bill payment concessions to veterans with disabilities who 4 5 demonstrate a hardship and members of the armed services or reserve forces of the United States or members of the 6 7 Illinois National Guard who are on active duty pursuant to 8 an executive order of the President of the United States, 9 an act of the Congress of the United States, or an order of 10 the Governor and who demonstrate a hardship;

(3) a budget assistance program that provides tools and education to low-income senior citizens to assist them with obtaining information regarding energy usage and effective means of managing energy costs;

15 (4) a non-residential special hardship program that 16 provides grants to non-residential customers such as small 17 businesses and non-profit organizations that demonstrate a 18 hardship, including those providing services to senior 19 citizen and low-income customers; and

20 (5) a performance-based assistance program that 21 provides grants to encourage residential customers to make 22 on-time payments by matching a portion of the customer's 23 payments or providing credits towards arrearages.

The payments made by a participating utility pursuant to this subsection (b-10) shall not be a recoverable expense. A participating utility may elect to fund either new or existing 10300HB3808sam001 -15- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

customer assistance programs, including, but not limited to,
 those that are administered by the utility.

that use funds that are provided by 3 Programs a 4 participating utility to reduce utility bills may be 5 implemented through tariffs that are filed with and reviewed 6 by the Commission. If a utility elects to file tariffs with the Commission to implement all or a portion of the programs, 7 those tariffs shall, regardless of the date actually filed, be 8 9 deemed accepted and approved, and shall become effective on 10 December 30, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 97-646). 11 The participating utilities whose customers benefit from the funds that are disbursed as contemplated in this Section shall 12 file annual reports documenting the disbursement of those 13 funds with the Commission. The Commission has the authority to 14 15 audit disbursement of the funds to ensure they were disbursed 16 consistently with this Section.

If the Commission finds that a participating utility is no 17 18 longer eligible to update the performance-based formula rate tariff pursuant to subsection (d) of this Section, or the 19 20 performance-based formula rate is otherwise terminated, then participating utility's voluntary commitments 21 the and 22 obligations under this subsection (b-10) shall immediately 23 terminate.

(c) A participating utility may elect to recover its
 delivery services costs through a performance-based formula
 rate approved by the Commission, which shall specify the cost

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1 components that form the basis of the rate charged to customers with sufficient specificity to operate in 2 a 3 standardized manner and be updated annually with transparent 4 information that reflects the utility's actual costs to be 5 recovered during the applicable rate year, which is the period beginning with the first billing day of January and extending 6 through the last billing day of the following December. In the 7 event the utility recovers a portion of its costs through 8 9 automatic adjustment clause tariffs on October 26, 2011 (the 10 effective date of Public Act 97-616), the utility may elect to 11 continue to recover these costs through such tariffs, but then 12 these costs shall not be recovered through the 13 performance-based formula rate. In the event the participating 14 utility, prior to December 30, 2011 (the effective date of 15 Public Act 97-646), filed electric delivery services tariffs 16 with the Commission pursuant to Section 9-201 of this Act that are related to the recovery of its electric delivery services 17 costs that are still pending on December 30, 2011 18 (the effective date of Public Act 97-646), the participating 19 20 utility shall, at the time it files its performance-based 21 formula rate tariff with the Commission, also file a notice of withdrawal with the Commission to withdraw the electric 22 23 delivery services tariffs previously filed pursuant to Section 24 9-201 of this Act. Upon receipt of such notice, the Commission 25 shall dismiss with prejudice any docket that had been 26 initiated to investigate the electric delivery services

1 tariffs filed pursuant to Section 9-201 of this Act, and such 2 tariffs and the record related thereto shall not be the 3 subject of any further hearing, investigation, or proceeding 4 of any kind related to rates for electric delivery services.

5 The performance-based formula rate shall be implemented through a tariff filed with the Commission consistent with the 6 provisions of this subsection (c) that shall be applicable to 7 all delivery services customers. The Commission shall initiate 8 9 and conduct an investigation of the tariff in a manner 10 consistent with the provisions of this subsection (c) and the 11 provisions of Article IX of this Act to the extent they do not conflict with this subsection (c). Except in the case where 12 the Commission finds, after notice and hearing, that a 13 14 participating utility is not satisfying its investment amount 15 commitments under subsection (b) of this Section, the 16 performance-based formula rate shall remain in effect at the discretion of the utility. The performance-based formula rate 17 18 approved by the Commission shall do the following:

19 (1) Provide for the recovery of the utility's actual 20 costs of delivery services that are prudently incurred and reasonable in amount consistent with Commission practice 21 and law. The sole fact that a cost differs from that 22 23 incurred in a prior calendar year or that an investment is 24 different from that made in a prior calendar year shall not imply the imprudence or unreasonableness of that cost 25 26 or investment.

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(2) Reflect the utility's actual year-end capital 1 structure for the applicable calendar year, excluding 2 3 goodwill, subject to a determination of prudence and reasonableness consistent with Commission practice and 4 5 law. To enable the financing of the incremental capital expenditures, including regulatory assets, for electric 6 utilities that serve less than 3,000,000 retail customers 7 8 but more than 500,000 retail customers in the State, a 9 participating electric utility's actual year-end capital 10 structure that includes a common equity ratio, excluding 11 goodwill, of up to and including 50% of the total capital structure shall be deemed reasonable and used to set 12 13 rates.

14 (3) Include a cost of equity, which shall be15 calculated as the sum of the following:

16 (A) the average for the applicable calendar year
17 of the monthly average yields of 30-year U.S. Treasury
18 bonds published by the Board of Governors of the
19 Federal Reserve System in its weekly H.15 Statistical
20 Release or successor publication; and

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(B) 580 basis points.

At such time as the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System ceases to include the monthly average yields of 30-year U.S. Treasury bonds in its weekly H.15 Statistical Release or successor publication, the monthly average yields of the U.S. Treasury bonds then having the 10300HB3808sam001

longest duration published by the Board of Governors in its weekly H.15 Statistical Release or successor publication shall instead be used for purposes of this paragraph (3).

5 (4) Permit and set forth protocols, subject to a 6 determination of prudence and reasonableness consistent 7 with Commission practice and law, for the following:

8 (A) recovery of incentive compensation expense 9 that is based on the achievement of operational 10 metrics, including metrics related to budget controls, 11 outage duration and frequency, safety, customer 12 service, efficiency and productivity, and 13 environmental compliance. Incentive compensation expense that is based on net income or an affiliate's 14 15 earnings per share shall not be recoverable under the 16 performance-based formula rate;

(B) recovery of pension and other post-employment
benefits expense, provided that such costs are
supported by an actuarial study;

(C) recovery of severance costs, provided that if the amount is over \$3,700,000 for a participating utility that is a combination utility or \$10,000,000 for a participating utility that serves more than 3 million retail customers, then the full amount shall be amortized consistent with subparagraph (F) of this paragraph (4); 10300HB3808sam001

1 (D) investment return at a rate equal to the 2 utility's weighted average cost of long-term debt, on 3 the pension assets as, and in the amount, reported in 4 Account 186 (or in such other Account or Accounts as 5 such asset may subsequently be recorded) of the 6 utility's most recently filed FERC Form 1, net of 7 deferred tax benefits;

8 (E) recovery of the expenses related to the 9 Commission proceeding under this subsection (c) to 10 approve this performance-based formula rate and 11 initial rates or to subsequent proceedings related to 12 the formula, provided that the recovery shall be 13 amortized over a 3-year period; recovery of expenses 14 related to the annual Commission proceedings under 15 subsection (d) of this Section to review the inputs to 16 the performance-based formula rate shall be expensed 17 and recovered through the performance-based formula 18 rate;

19 (F) amortization over a 5-year period of the full 20 amount of each charge or credit that exceeds 21 \$3,700,000 for a participating utility that is a 22 combination utility or \$10,000,000 for a participating 23 utility that serves more than 3 million retail 24 customers in the applicable calendar year and that 25 relates to a workforce reduction program's severance 26 costs, changes in accounting rules, changes in law,

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compliance with any Commission-initiated audit, or a 1 single storm or other similar expense, provided that 2 3 any unamortized balance shall be reflected in the rate base. For purposes of this subparagraph (F), changes 4 in law includes any enactment, repeal, or amendment in 5 a law, ordinance, rule, regulation, interpretation, 6 permit, license, consent, or order, including those 7 8 relating to taxes, accounting, or to environmental 9 matters, or in the interpretation or application 10 thereof by any governmental authority occurring after October 26, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 11 97-616); 12

(G) recovery of existing regulatory assets over
 the periods previously authorized by the Commission;

(H) historical weather normalized billingdeterminants; and

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(I) allocation methods for common costs.

(5) Provide that if the participating utility's earned 18 19 rate of return on common equity related to the provision 20 of delivery services for the prior rate year (calculated 21 using costs and capital structure approved by the 22 Commission as provided in subparagraph (2) of this 23 subsection (c), consistent with this Section, in 24 accordance with Commission rules and orders, including, 25 but not limited to, adjustments for goodwill, and after 26 any Commission-ordered disallowances and taxes) is more

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1 than 50 basis points higher than the rate of return on 2 common equity calculated pursuant to paragraph (3) of this 3 subsection (c) (after adjusting for any penalties to the rate of return on common equity applied pursuant to the 4 5 performance metrics provision of subsection (f) of this Section), then the participating utility shall apply a 6 7 credit through the performance-based formula rate that 8 reflects an amount equal to the value of that portion of 9 the earned rate of return on common equity that is more 10 than 50 basis points higher than the rate of return on common equity calculated pursuant to paragraph (3) of this 11 subsection (c) (after adjusting for any penalties to the 12 13 rate of return on common equity applied pursuant to the 14 performance metrics provision of subsection (f) of this 15 Section) for the prior rate year, adjusted for taxes. If the participating utility's earned rate of return on 16 common equity related to the provision of delivery 17 services for the prior rate year (calculated using costs 18 19 and capital structure approved by the Commission as 20 provided in subparagraph (2) of this subsection (c), 21 consistent with this Section, in accordance with 22 Commission rules and orders, including, but not limited 23 adjustments for goodwill, to, and after any 24 Commission-ordered disallowances and taxes) is more than 25 50 basis points less than the return on common equity 26 calculated pursuant to paragraph (3) of this subsection

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(c) (after adjusting for any penalties to the rate of 1 common equity applied pursuant 2 return on to the performance metrics provision of subsection (f) of this 3 Section), then the participating utility shall apply a 4 5 charge through the performance-based formula rate that reflects an amount equal to the value of that portion of 6 7 the earned rate of return on common equity that is more 8 than 50 basis points less than the rate of return on common 9 equity calculated pursuant to paragraph (3) of this 10 subsection (c) (after adjusting for any penalties to the rate of return on common equity applied pursuant to the 11 performance metrics provision of subsection (f) of this 12 13 Section) for the prior rate year, adjusted for taxes.

14 (6) Provide for an annual reconciliation, as described 15 in subsection (d) of this Section, with interest, of the revenue requirement reflected in rates for each calendar 16 17 year, beginning with the calendar year in which the utility files its performance-based formula rate tariff 18 19 pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section, with what the 20 revenue requirement would have been had the actual cost 21 information for the applicable calendar year been 22 available at the filing date.

The utility shall file, together with its tariff, final data based on its most recently filed FERC Form 1, plus projected plant additions and correspondingly updated depreciation reserve and expense for the calendar year in 10300HB3808sam001 -24- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 which the tariff and data are filed, that shall populate the performance-based formula rate and set the initial delivery 2 services rates under the formula. For purposes of this 3 4 Section, "FERC Form 1" means the Annual Report of Major 5 Electric Utilities, Licensees and Others that electric utilities are required to file with the Federal Energy 6 Regulatory Commission under the Federal Power Act, Sections 3, 7 8 4(a), 304 and 209, modified as necessary to be consistent with 9 83 Ill. Adm. Admin. Code Part 415 as of May 1, 2011. Nothing in this Section is intended to allow costs that are not otherwise 10 11 recoverable to be recoverable by virtue of inclusion in FERC Form 1. 12

13 After the utility files its proposed performance-based 14 formula rate structure and protocols and initial rates, the 15 Commission shall initiate a docket to review the filing. The 16 Commission shall enter an order approving, or approving as 17 modified, the performance-based formula rate, including the 18 initial rates, as just and reasonable within 270 days after the date on which the tariff was filed, or, if the tariff is 19 20 filed within 14 days after October 26, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 97-616), then by May 31, 2012. Such review 21 22 shall be based on the same evidentiary standards, including, 23 but not limited to, those concerning the prudence and 24 reasonableness of the costs incurred by the utility, the 25 Commission applies in a hearing to review a filing for a 26 general increase in rates under Article IX of this Act. The

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1 initial rates shall take effect within 30 days after the 2 Commission's order approving the performance-based formula 3 rate tariff.

4 Until such time as the Commission approves a different 5 rate design and cost allocation pursuant to subsection (e) of 6 this Section, rate design and cost allocation across customer 7 classes shall be consistent with the Commission's most recent 8 order regarding the participating utility's request for a 9 general increase in its delivery services rates.

10 Subsequent changes to the performance-based formula rate 11 structure or protocols shall be made as set forth in Section 9-201 of this Act, but nothing in this subsection (c) is 12 13 intended to limit the Commission's authority under Article IX and other provisions of this Act to initiate an investigation 14 15 of a participating utility's performance-based formula rate 16 tariff, provided that any such changes shall be consistent with paragraphs (1) through (6) of this subsection (c). Any 17 change ordered by the Commission shall be made at the same time 18 new rates take effect following the Commission's next order 19 20 pursuant to subsection (d) of this Section, provided that the new rates take effect no less than 30 days after the date on 21 22 which the Commission issues an order adopting the change.

A participating utility that files a tariff pursuant to this subsection (c) must submit a one-time \$200,000 filing fee at the time the Chief Clerk of the Commission accepts the filing, which shall be a recoverable expense. 10300HB3808sam001 -26- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 In the event the performance-based formula rate is terminated, the then current rates shall remain in effect 2 3 until such time as new rates are set pursuant to Article IX of 4 this Act, subject to retroactive rate adjustment, with 5 interest, to reconcile rates charged with actual costs. At time that the performance-based formula rate 6 such is terminated, the participating utility's voluntary commitments 7 and obligations under subsection (b) of this Section shall 8 9 immediately terminate, except for the utility's obligation to 10 pay an amount already owed to the fund for training grants 11 pursuant to a Commission order issued under subsection (b) of this Section. 12

13 (d) Subsequent to the Commission's issuance of an order 14 approving the utility's performance-based formula rate 15 structure and protocols, and initial rates under subsection 16 (c) of this Section, the utility shall file, on or before May 1 of each year, with the Chief Clerk of the Commission its 17 18 updated cost inputs to the performance-based formula rate for the applicable rate year and the corresponding new charges. 19 20 Each such filing shall conform to the following requirements and include the following information: 21

(1) The inputs to the performance-based formula rate
for the applicable rate year shall be based on final
historical data reflected in the utility's most recently
filed annual FERC Form 1 plus projected plant additions
and correspondingly updated depreciation reserve and

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1 expense for the calendar year in which the inputs are filed. The filing shall also include a reconciliation of 2 3 the revenue requirement that was in effect for the prior rate year (as set by the cost inputs for the prior rate 4 5 year) with the actual revenue requirement for the prior 6 rate year (determined using a year-end rate base) that uses amounts reflected in the applicable FERC Form 1 that 7 8 reports the actual costs for the prior rate year. Any 9 over-collection or under-collection indicated by such 10 reconciliation shall be reflected as a credit against, or 11 recovered as an additional charge to, respectively, with interest calculated at a rate equal to the utility's 12 13 average cost of capital approved by weighted the 14 Commission for the prior rate year, the charges for the 15 applicable rate year. Provided, however, that the first 16 such reconciliation shall be for the calendar year in 17 which the utility files its performance-based formula rate tariff pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section and 18 19 shall reconcile (i) the revenue requirement or 20 requirements established by the rate order or orders in 21 effect from time to time during such calendar year 22 (weighted, as applicable) with (ii) the revenue 23 requirement determined using a year-end rate base for that 24 calendar year calculated pursuant to the performance-based 25 formula rate using (A) actual costs for that year as 26 reflected in the applicable FERC Form 1, and (B) for the

first such reconciliation only, the cost of equity, which 1 shall be calculated as the sum of 590 basis points plus the 2 3 average for the applicable calendar year of the monthly average yields of 30-year U.S. Treasury bonds published by 4 the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System in 5 weekly H.15 Statistical Release 6 its or successor 7 publication. The first such reconciliation is not intended 8 to provide for the recovery of costs previously excluded 9 from rates based on a prior Commission order finding of 10 imprudence or unreasonableness. Each reconciliation shall be certified by the participating utility in the same 11 manner that FERC Form 1 is certified. The filing shall 12 13 also include the charge or credit, if any, resulting from 14 the calculation required by paragraph (6) of subsection 15 (c) of this Section.

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Notwithstanding anything that may be to the contrary, 16 17 the intent of the reconciliation is to ultimately reconcile the revenue requirement reflected in rates for 18 19 each calendar year, beginning with the calendar year in 20 which the utility files its performance-based formula rate 21 tariff pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section, with 22 what the revenue requirement determined using a year-end 23 rate base for the applicable calendar year would have been 24 had the actual cost information for the applicable 25 calendar year been available at the filing date.

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(2) The new charges shall take effect beginning on the

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first billing day of the following January billing period and remain in effect through the last billing day of the next December billing period regardless of whether the Commission enters upon a hearing pursuant to this subsection (d).

(3) The filing shall include relevant and necessary 6 7 data and documentation for the applicable rate year that 8 is consistent with the Commission's rules applicable to a 9 filing for a general increase in rates or any rules 10 adopted by the Commission to implement this Section. 11 Normalization adjustments shall not be required. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section or Act 12 13 any rule or other requirement adopted by or the 14 Commission, a participating utility that is a combination 15 utility with more than one rate zone shall not be required 16 to file a separate set of such data and documentation for 17 each rate zone and may combine such data and documentation into a single set of schedules. 18

19 Within 45 days after the utility files its annual update 20 of cost inputs to the performance-based formula rate, the 21 Commission shall have the authority, either upon complaint or 22 its own initiative, but with reasonable notice, to enter upon 23 a hearing concerning the prudence and reasonableness of the 24 costs incurred by the utility to be recovered during the 25 applicable rate year that are reflected in the inputs to the 26 performance-based formula rate derived from the utility's FERC 10300HB3808sam001 -30- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 Form 1. During the course of the hearing, each objection shall be stated with particularity and evidence provided in support 2 3 thereof, after which the utility shall have the opportunity to 4 rebut the evidence. Discovery shall be allowed consistent with 5 the Commission's Rules of Practice, which Rules shall be enforced by the Commission or the assigned administrative law 6 The Commission shall apply the same evidentiary 7 iudae. standards, including, but not limited to, those concerning the 8 9 prudence and reasonableness of the costs incurred by the 10 utility, in the hearing as it would apply in a hearing to 11 review a filing for a general increase in rates under Article IX of this Act. The Commission shall not, however, have the 12 13 authority in a proceeding under this subsection (d) to 14 consider or order any changes to the structure or protocols of 15 the performance-based formula rate approved pursuant to 16 subsection (c) of this Section. In a proceeding under this subsection (d), the Commission shall enter its order no later 17 than the earlier of 240 days after the utility's filing of its 18 annual update of cost inputs to the performance-based formula 19 20 rate or December 31. The Commission's determinations of the prudence and reasonableness of the costs incurred for the 21 22 applicable calendar year shall be final upon entry of the 23 Commission's order and shall not be subject to reopening, 24 reexamination, or collateral attack in any other Commission 25 proceeding, case, docket, order, rule or regulation, provided, 26 however, that nothing in this subsection (d) shall prohibit a

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party from petitioning the Commission to rehear or appeal to
 the courts the order pursuant to the provisions of this Act.

3 In the event the Commission does not, either upon 4 complaint or its own initiative, enter upon a hearing within 5 45 days after the utility files the annual update of cost inputs to its performance-based formula rate, then the costs 6 incurred for the applicable calendar year shall be deemed 7 prudent and reasonable, and the filed charges shall not be 8 9 subject to reopening, reexamination, or collateral attack in 10 any other proceeding, case, docket, order, rule, or 11 regulation.

A participating utility's first filing of the updated cost inputs, and any Commission investigation of such inputs pursuant to this subsection (d) shall proceed notwithstanding the fact that the Commission's investigation under subsection (c) of this Section is still pending and notwithstanding any other law, order, rule, or Commission practice to the contrary.

(e) Nothing in subsections (c) or (d) of this Section 19 20 shall prohibit the Commission from investigating, or a participating utility from filing, revenue-neutral tariff 21 22 changes related to rate design of a performance-based formula 23 rate that has been placed into effect for the utility. 24 approval of participating Following а utilitv's 25 performance-based formula rate tariff pursuant to subsection 26 (c) of this Section, the utility shall make a filing with the

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1 Commission within one year after the effective date of the performance-based formula rate tariff that proposes changes to 2 3 the tariff to incorporate the findings of any final rate 4 desian orders of the Commission applicable to the 5 utility and entered participating subsequent to the 6 Commission's approval of the tariff. The Commission shall, after notice and hearing, enter its order approving, or 7 approving with modification, the proposed changes to the 8 9 performance-based formula rate tariff within 240 days after 10 the utility's filing. Following such approval, the utility 11 shall make a filing with the Commission during each subsequent 3-year period that either proposes revenue-neutral tariff 12 13 changes or re-files the existing tariffs without change, which 14 shall present the Commission with an opportunity to suspend 15 the tariffs and consider revenue-neutral tariff changes 16 related to rate design.

(f) Within 30 days after the filing of a tariff pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section, each participating utility shall develop and file with the Commission multi-year metrics designed to achieve, ratably (i.e., in equal segments) over a 10-year period, improvement over baseline performance values as follows:

(1) Twenty percent improvement in the System Average
 Interruption Frequency Index, using a baseline of the
 average of the data from 2001 through 2010.

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(2) Fifteen percent improvement in the system Customer

Average Interruption Duration Index, using a baseline of
 the average of the data from 2001 through 2010.

For a participating utility other 3 (3) than а combination utility, 20% improvement in the System Average 4 5 Interruption Frequency Index for its Southern Region, using a baseline of the average of the data from 2001 6 7 through 2010. For purposes of this paragraph (3), Southern 8 Region shall have the meaning set forth in the 9 participating utility's most recent report filed pursuant 10 to Section 16-125 of this Act.

11 (3.5) For a participating utility other than a combination utility, 20% improvement in the System Average 12 13 Interruption Frequency Index for its Northeastern Region, 14 using a baseline of the average of the data from 2001 15 through 2010. For purposes of this paragraph (3.5), 16 Northeastern Region shall have the meaning set forth in the participating utility's most recent report filed 17 pursuant to Section 16-125 of this Act. 18

(4) Seventy-five percent improvement in the total
number of customers who exceed the service reliability
targets as set forth in subparagraphs (A) through (C) of
paragraph (4) of subsection (b) of 83 Ill. <u>Adm. Admin.</u>
Code <del>Part</del> 411.140 as of May 1, 2011, using 2010 as the
baseline year.

25 (5) Reduction in issuance of estimated electric bills:
26 90% improvement for a participating utility other than a

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combination utility, and 56% improvement for a participating utility that is a combination utility, using a baseline of the average number of estimated bills for the years 2008 through 2010.

5 (6) Consumption on inactive meters: 90% improvement 6 for a participating utility other than a combination 7 utility, and 56% improvement for a participating utility 8 that is a combination utility, using a baseline of the 9 average unbilled kilowatthours for the years 2009 and 10 2010.

11 (7) Unaccounted for energy: 50% improvement for a 12 participating utility other than a combination utility 13 using a baseline of the non-technical line loss 14 unaccounted for energy kilowatthours for the year 2009.

15 (8) Uncollectible expense: reduce uncollectible 16 expense by at least \$30,000,000 for a participating 17 utility other than a combination utility and by at least 18 \$3,500,000 for a participating utility that is a 19 combination utility, using a baseline of the average 20 uncollectible expense for the years 2008 through 2010.

(9) Opportunities for minority-owned and female-owned business enterprises: design a performance metric regarding the creation of opportunities for minority-owned and female-owned business enterprises consistent with State and federal law using a base performance value of the percentage of the participating utility's capital 1

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expenditures that were paid to minority-owned and female-owned business enterprises in 2010.

The definitions set forth in 83 Ill. Adm. Admin. Code Part 3 4 411.20 as of May 1, 2011 shall be used for purposes of 5 calculating performance under paragraphs (1) through (3.5) of this subsection (f), provided, however, that the participating 6 utility may exclude up to 9 extreme weather event days from 7 such calculation for each year, and provided further that the 8 9 participating utility shall exclude 9 extreme weather event 10 days when calculating each year of the baseline period to the 11 extent that there are 9 such days in a given year of the baseline period. For purposes of this Section, an extreme 12 13 weather event day is a 24-hour calendar day (beginning at 12:00 a.m. and ending at 11:59 p.m.) during which any weather 14 15 event (e.g., storm, tornado) caused interruptions for 10,000 16 or more of the participating utility's customers for 3 hours or more. If there are more than 9 extreme weather event days in 17 a year, then the utility may choose no more than 9 extreme 18 weather event days to exclude, provided that the same extreme 19 20 weather event days are excluded from each of the calculations 21 performed under paragraphs (1) through (3.5)of this 22 subsection (f).

The metrics shall include incremental performance goals 23 24 for each year of the 10-year period, which shall be designed to 25 demonstrate that the utility is on track to achieve the 26 performance goal in each category at the end of the 10-year 10300HB3808sam001 -36- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 period. The utility shall elect when the 10-year period shall commence for the metrics set forth in subparagraphs (1) 2 through (4) and (9) of this subsection (f), provided that it 3 4 begins no later than 14 months following the date on which the 5 utility begins investing pursuant to subsection (b) of this 6 Section, and when the 10-year period shall commence for the metrics set forth in subparagraphs (5) through (8) of this 7 subsection (f), provided that it begins no later than 14 8 9 months following the date on which the Commission enters its 10 order approving the utility's Advanced Metering Infrastructure 11 Deployment Plan pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 16-108.6 of this Act. 12

13 The metrics and performance qoals set forth in 14 subparagraphs (5) through (8) of this subsection (f) are based 15 on the assumptions that the participating utility may fully 16 implement the technology described in subsection (b) of this Section, including utilizing the full functionality of such 17 technology and that there is no requirement for personal 18 on-site notification. If the utility is unable to meet the 19 20 metrics and performance goals set forth in subparagraphs (5) through (8) of this subsection (f) for such reasons, and the 21 22 Commission so finds after notice and hearing, then the utility 23 shall be excused from compliance, but only to the limited 24 extent achievement of the affected metrics and performance 25 goals was hindered by the less than full implementation.

26 (f-5) The financial penalties applicable to the metrics

described in subparagraphs (1) through (8) of subsection (f) of this Section, as applicable, shall be applied through an adjustment to the participating utility's return on equity of no more than a total of 30 basis points in each of the first 3 years, of no more than a total of 34 basis points in each of the 3 years thereafter, and of no more than a total of 38 basis points in each of the 4 years thereafter, as follows:

8 (1) With respect to each of the incremental annual 9 performance goals established pursuant to paragraph (1) of 10 subsection (f) of this Section,

(A) for each year that a participating utility other than a combination utility does not achieve the annual goal, the participating utility's return on equity shall be reduced as follows: during years 1 through 3, by 5 basis points; during years 4 through 6, by 6 basis points; and during years 7 through 10, by 7 basis points; and

(B) for each year that a participating utility
that is a combination utility does not achieve the
annual goal, the participating utility's return on
equity shall be reduced as follows: during years 1
through 3, by 10 basis points; during years 4 through
6, by 12 basis points; and during years 7 through 10,
by 14 basis points.

(2) With respect to each of the incremental annual
 performance goals established pursuant to paragraph (2) of

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subsection (f) of this Section, for each year that the participating utility does not achieve each such goal, the participating utility's return on equity shall be reduced as follows: during years 1 through 3, by 5 basis points; during years 4 through 6, by 6 basis points; and during years 7 through 10, by 7 basis points.

(3) With respect to each of the incremental annual 7 8 performance goals established pursuant to paragraphs (3) 9 and (3.5) of subsection (f) of this Section, for each year 10 that a participating utility other than a combination not 11 utility achieve both such does qoals, the participating utility's return on equity shall be reduced 12 13 as follows: during years 1 through 3, by 5 basis points; 14 during years 4 through 6, by 6 basis points; and during 15 years 7 through 10, by 7 basis points.

16 (4) With respect to each of the incremental annual 17 performance goals established pursuant to paragraph (4) of subsection (f) of this Section, for each year that the 18 19 participating utility does not achieve each such goal, the 20 participating utility's return on equity shall be reduced 21 as follows: during years 1 through 3, by 5 basis points; 22 during years 4 through 6, by 6 basis points; and during 23 years 7 through 10, by 7 basis points.

(5) With respect to each of the incremental annual
performance goals established pursuant to subparagraph (5)
of subsection (f) of this Section, for each year that the

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participating utility does not achieve at least 95% of each such goal, the participating utility's return on equity shall be reduced by 5 basis points for each such unachieved goal.

5 (6) With respect to each of the incremental annual performance goals established pursuant to paragraphs (6), 6 (7), and (8) of subsection (f) of this Section, as 7 8 applicable, which together measure non-operational 9 customer savings and benefits relating to the 10 implementation of the Advanced Metering Infrastructure 11 Deployment Plan, as defined in Section 16-108.6 of this Act, the performance under each such goal shall be 12 13 calculated in terms of the percentage of the goal 14 achieved. The percentage of goal achieved for each of the 15 goals shall be aggregated, and an average percentage value 16 calculated, for each year of the 10-year period. If the 17 utility does not achieve an average percentage value in a given year of at least 95%, the participating utility's 18 return on equity shall be reduced by 5 basis points. 19

The financial penalties shall be applied as described in this subsection (f-5) for the 12-month period in which the deficiency occurred through a separate tariff mechanism, which shall be filed by the utility together with its metrics. In the event the formula rate tariff established pursuant to subsection (c) of this Section terminates, the utility's obligations under subsection (f) of this Section and this subsection (f-5) shall also terminate, provided, however, that the tariff mechanism established pursuant to subsection (f) of this Section and this subsection (f-5) shall remain in effect until any penalties due and owing at the time of such termination are applied.

The Commission shall, after notice and hearing, enter an 6 order within 120 days after the metrics are filed approving, 7 or approving with modification, a participating utility's 8 9 tariff or mechanism to satisfy the metrics set forth in 10 subsection (f) of this Section. On June 1 of each subsequent 11 year, each participating utility shall file a report with the Commission that includes, among other things, a description of 12 13 how the participating utility performed under each metric and 14 an identification of any extraordinary events that adversely 15 impacted the utility's performance. Whenever a participating 16 utility does not satisfy the metrics required pursuant to subsection (f) of this Section, the Commission shall, after 17 notice and hearing, enter an order approving financial 18 penalties in accordance with this subsection (f-5). 19 The 20 Commission-approved financial penalties shall be applied beginning with the next rate year. Nothing in this Section 21 shall authorize the Commission to reduce or otherwise obviate 22 23 the imposition of financial penalties for failing to achieve 24 more of the metrics established pursuant one or to 25 subparagraphs subparagraph (1) through (4) of subsection (f) 26 of this Section.

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(g) On or before July 31, 2014, each participating utility 1 shall file a report with the Commission that sets forth the 2 average annual increase in the average amount paid per 3 4 kilowatthour for residential eligible retail customers, 5 exclusive of the effects of energy efficiency programs, 6 comparing the 12-month period ending May 31, 2012; the 12-month period ending May 31, 2013; and the 12-month period 7 ending May 31, 2014. For a participating utility that is a 8 combination utility with more than one rate zone, the weighted 9 10 average aggregate increase shall be provided. The report shall 11 be filed together with a statement from an independent auditor attesting to the accuracy of the report. The cost of the 12 13 independent auditor shall be borne by the participating 14 utility and shall not be a recoverable expense. "The average 15 amount paid per kilowatthour" shall be based on the 16 participating utility's tariffed rates actually in effect and shall not be calculated using any hypothetical rate or 17 18 adjustments to actual charges (other than as specified for 19 energy efficiency) as an input.

In the event that the average annual increase exceeds 2.5% as calculated pursuant to this subsection (g), then Sections 16-108.5, 16-108.6, 16-108.7, and 16-108.8 of this Act, other than this subsection, shall be inoperative as they relate to the utility and its service area as of the date of the report due to be submitted pursuant to this subsection and the utility shall no longer be eligible to annually update the 10300HB3808sam001 -42- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

performance-based formula rate tariff pursuant to subsection 1 (d) of this Section. In such event, the then current rates 2 shall remain in effect until such time as new rates are set 3 pursuant to Article IX of this Act, subject to retroactive 4 5 adjustment, with interest, to reconcile rates charged with actual costs, and the participating utility's voluntary 6 commitments and obligations under subsection (b) of this 7 8 Section shall immediately terminate, except for the utility's 9 obligation to pay an amount already owed to the fund for 10 training grants pursuant to a Commission order issued under 11 subsection (b) of this Section.

In the event that the average annual increase is 2.5% or less as calculated pursuant to this subsection (g), then the performance-based formula rate shall remain in effect as set forth in this Section.

16 For purposes of this Section, the amount per kilowatthour means the total amount paid for electric service expressed on 17 a per kilowatthour basis, and the total amount paid for 18 electric service includes without limitation amounts paid for 19 20 supply, transmission, distribution, surcharges, and add-on 21 taxes exclusive of any increases in taxes or new taxes imposed after October 26, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 22 23 97-616). For purposes of this Section, "eligible retail 24 customers" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 25 16-111.5 of this Act.

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The fact that this Section becomes inoperative as set

1 forth in this subsection shall not be construed to mean that the Commission may reexamine or otherwise reopen prudence or 2 3 reasonableness determinations already made.

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4 (h) By December 31, 2017, the Commission shall prepare and 5 file with the General Assembly a report on the infrastructure program and the performance-based formula rate. The report 6 7 shall include the change in the average amount per 8 kilowatthour paid by residential customers between June 1, 9 2011 and May 31, 2017. If the change in the total average rate 10 paid exceeds 2.5% compounded annually, the Commission shall 11 include in the report an analysis that shows the portion of the change due to the delivery services component and the portion 12 13 of the change due to the supply component of the rate. The report shall include separate sections for each participating 14 15 utility.

Sections 16-108.5, 16-108.6, 16-108.7, and 16-108.8 of 16 this Act, other than this subsection (h) and subsection (i) of 17 this Section, are inoperative after December 31, 2022 for 18 every participating utility, after which time a participating 19 20 utility shall no longer be eligible to annually update the 21 performance-based formula rate tariff pursuant to subsection 22 (d) of this Section. At such time, the then current rates shall 23 remain in effect until such time as new rates are set pursuant 24 to Article IX of this Act, subject to retroactive adjustment, 25 with interest, to reconcile rates charged with actual costs. The fact that this Section becomes inoperative as set

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1 forth in this subsection shall not be construed to mean that 2 the Commission may reexamine or otherwise reopen prudence or 3 reasonableness determinations already made.

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4 (i) While a participating utility may use, develop, and 5 maintain broadband systems and the delivery of broadband voice-over-internet-protocol 6 services, services, telecommunications services, and cable and video programming 7 8 services for use in providing delivery services and Smart Grid 9 functionality or application to its retail customers, 10 including, but not limited to, the installation, 11 implementation and maintenance of Smart Grid electric system upgrades as defined in Section 16-108.6 of this Act, a 12 participating utility is prohibited from providing to its 13 14 retail customers broadband services, 15 voice-over-internet-protocol services, telecommunications 16 services, or cable or video programming services, unless they are part of a service directly related to delivery services or 17 Smart Grid functionality or applications as defined in Section 18 16-108.6 of this Act, and from recovering the costs of such 19 20 offerings from retail customers. Furthermore, a participating utility in a county having a population of 3,000,000 or more is 21 22 prohibited from making available to its customers broadband 23 services, voice-over-internet-protocol services, 24 telecommunications services, or cable or video programming 25 services, unless they are part of a service directly related to delivery services or Smart Grid functionality or 26

applications as defined in Section 16-108.6, and from
 recovering the costs of such offerings from retail customers.
 The prohibition set forth in this subsection (i) is
 inoperative after December 31, 2027 for every participating
 utility.

(j) Nothing in this Section is intended to legislatively 6 overturn the opinion issued in Commonwealth Edison Co. v. Ill. 7 Commerce Comm'n, Nos. 2-08-0959, 2-08-1037, 2-08-1137, 8 9 1-08-3008, 1-08-3030, 1-08-3054, 1-08-3313 cons. (Ill. App. 10 Ct. 2d Dist. Sept. 30, 2010). Public Act 97-616 shall not be 11 construed as creating a contract between the General Assembly and the participating utility, and shall not establish a 12 13 property right in the participating utility.

14 (k) The changes made in subsections (c) and (d) of this 15 Section by Public Act 98-15 are intended to be a restatement 16 and clarification of existing law, and intended to give 17 binding effect to the provisions of House Resolution 1157 18 adopted by the House of Representatives of the 97th General Assembly and Senate Resolution 821 adopted by the Senate of 19 20 the 97th General Assembly that are reflected in paragraph (3) 21 of this subsection. In addition, Public Act 98-15 preempts and supersedes any final Commission orders entered in Docket Nos. 22 23 11-0721, 12-0001, 12-0293, and 12-0321 to the extent 24 inconsistent with the amendatory language added to subsections 25 (c) and (d).

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(1) No earlier than 5 business days after May 22, 2013

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1 effective date of Public 98-15), (the Act each 2 participating utility shall file any tariff changes 3 necessary to implement the amendatory language set forth 4 in subsections (c) and (d) of this Section by Public Act 5 98-15 and a revised revenue requirement under the participating utility's performance-based formula rate. 6 The Commission shall enter a final order approving such 7 8 tariff changes and revised revenue requirement within 21 9 days after the participating utility's filing.

10 (2) Notwithstanding anything that may be to the contrary, a participating utility may file a tariff to 11 retroactively recover its previously unrecovered actual 12 13 costs of delivery service that are no longer subject to 14 recovery through a reconciliation adjustment under 15 subsection (d) of this Section. This retroactive recovery 16 shall include any derivative adjustments resulting from the changes to subsections (c) and (d) of this Section by 17 18 Public Act 98-15. Such tariff shall allow the utility to 19 assess, on current customer bills over a period of 12 20 monthly billing periods, a charge or credit related to 21 those unrecovered costs with interest at the utility's 22 weighted average cost of capital during the period in 23 which those costs were unrecovered. A participating 24 utility may file a tariff that implements a retroactive 25 charge or credit as described in this paragraph for 26 amounts not otherwise included in the tariff filing

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provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection (k). The Commission shall enter a final order approving such tariff within 21 days after the participating utility's filing.

4 (3) The tariff changes described in paragraphs (1) and 5 (2) of this subsection (k) shall relate only to, and be consistent with, the following provisions of Public Act 6 98-15: paragraph (2) of subsection (c) regarding year-end 7 8 capital structure, subparagraph (D) of paragraph (4) of 9 subsection (c) regarding pension assets, and subsection 10 (d) regarding the reconciliation components related to 11 year-end rate base and interest calculated at a rate equal to the utility's weighted average cost of capital. 12

(4) Nothing in this subsection is intended to effect a
dismissal of or otherwise affect an appeal from any final
Commission orders entered in Docket Nos. 11-0721, 12-0001,
12-0293, and 12-0321 other than to the extent of the
amendatory language contained in subsections (c) and (d)
of this Section of Public Act 98-15.

(1) Each participating utility shall be deemed to have 19 20 been in full compliance with all requirements of subsection (b) of this Section, subsection (c) of this Section, Section 21 16-108.6 of this Act, and all Commission orders entered 22 23 pursuant to Sections 16-108.5 and 16-108.6 of this Act, up to 24 and including May 22, 2013 (the effective date of Public Act 25 98-15). The Commission shall not undertake any investigation 26 of such compliance and no penalty shall be assessed or adverse

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action taken against a participating utility for noncompliance 1 with Commission orders associated with subsection (b) of this 2 Section, subsection (c) of this Section, and Section 16-108.6 3 4 of this Act prior to such date. Each participating utility 5 other than a combination utility shall be permitted, without penalty, a period of 12 months after such effective date to 6 take actions required to ensure its infrastructure investment 7 8 program is in compliance with subsection (b) of this Section 9 and with Section 16-108.6 of this Act. Provided further, the 10 following subparagraphs shall apply to a participating utility 11 other than a combination utility:

(A) if the Commission has initiated a proceeding 12 13 pursuant to subsection (e) of Section 16-108.6 of this Act that is pending as of May 22, 2013 (the effective date of 14 15 Public Act 98-15), then the order entered in such 16 proceeding shall, after notice and hearing, accelerate the commencement of the meter deployment schedule approved in 17 18 the final Commission order on rehearing entered in Docket No. 12-0298; 19

(B) if the Commission has entered an order pursuant to subsection (e) of Section 16-108.6 of this Act prior to May 22, 2013 (the effective date of Public Act 98-15) that does not accelerate the commencement of the meter deployment schedule approved in the final Commission order on rehearing entered in Docket No. 12-0298, then the utility shall file with the Commission, within 45 days -49- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 after such effective date, a plan for accelerating the commencement of the utility's meter deployment schedule 2 3 approved in the final Commission order on rehearing 4 entered in Docket No. 12-0298; the Commission shall reopen 5 the proceeding in which it entered its order pursuant to subsection (e) of Section 16-108.6 of this Act and shall, 6 after notice and hearing, enter an amendatory order that 7 8 approves or approves as modified such accelerated plan 9 within 90 days after the utility's filing; or

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10 (C) if the Commission has not initiated a proceeding 11 pursuant to subsection (e) of Section 16-108.6 of this Act prior to May 22, 2013 (the effective date of Public Act 12 13 98-15), then the utility shall file with the Commission, 14 within 45 days after such effective date, a plan for 15 accelerating the commencement of the utility's meter 16 deployment schedule approved in the final Commission order on rehearing entered in Docket No. 12-0298 and the 17 18 Commission shall, after notice and hearing, approve or 19 approve as modified such plan within 90 days after the 20 utility's filing.

Any schedule for meter deployment approved by the Commission pursuant to this subsection (1) shall take into consideration procurement times for meters and other equipment and operational issues. Nothing in Public Act 98-15 shall shorten or extend the end dates for the 5-year or 10-year periods set forth in subsection (b) of this Section or Section 10300HB3808sam001 -50- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 16-108.6 of this Act. Nothing in this subsection is intended 2 to address whether a participating utility has, or has not, 3 satisfied any or all of the metrics and performance goals 4 established pursuant to subsection (f) of this Section.

5 (m) The provisions of Public Act 98-15 are severable under
6 Section 1.31 of the Statute on Statutes.

7 (Source: P.A. 102-1031, eff. 5-27-22; revised 8-22-22.)

8 (220 ILCS 5/21-201)

9 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2026)
10 Sec. 21-201. Definitions. As used in this Article:

(a) "Access" means that the cable or video provider is 11 capable of providing cable services or video services at the 12 13 household address using any technology, other than 14 direct-to-home satellite service, that provides 2-wav 15 broadband Internet capability and video programming, content, and functionality, regardless of whether any customer has 16 ordered service or whether the owner or landlord or other 17 responsible person has granted access to the household. If 18 19 more than one technology is used, the technologies shall provide similar 2-way broadband Internet accessibility and 20 21 similar video programming.

(b) "Basic cable or video service" means any cable or
 video service offering or tier that includes the
 retransmission of local television broadcast signals.

25 (c) "Broadband service" means a high speed service

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1 connection to the public Internet capable of supporting, in at 2 least one direction, a speed in excess of 200 kilobits per 3 second (kbps) to the network demarcation point at the 4 subscriber's premises.

5 (d) "Cable operator" means that term as defined in item 6 (5) of 47 U.S.C. 522.

7 (e) "Cable service" means that term as defined in item (6)
8 of 47 U.S.C. 522.

9 (f) "Cable system" means that term as defined in item (7) 10 of 47 U.S.C. 522.

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(g) "Commission" means the Illinois Commerce Commission.

(h) "Competitive cable service or video service provider" means a person or entity that is providing or seeks to provide cable service or video service in an area where there is at least one incumbent cable operator.

16 (i) "Designated market area" means a designated market 17 area, as determined by Nielsen Media Research and published in the 1999-2000 Nielsen Station Index Directory and Nielsen 18 Station Index United States Television Household Estimates or 19 20 any successor publication. For any designated market area that 21 crosses State lines, only households in the portion of the 22 designated market area that is located within the holder's telecommunications service area in the State where access to 23 24 video service will be offered shall be considered.

(j) "Footprint" means the geographic area designated bythe cable service or video service provider as the geographic

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1 area in which it will offer cable services or video services 2 during the period of its State-issued authorization. Each footprint shall be identified in terms of either 3 (i) 4 exchanges, as that term is defined in Section 13-206 of this 5 Act; (ii) a collection of United States Census Bureau Block numbers (13 digit); (iii) if the area is smaller than the areas 6 identified in either (i) or (ii), by geographic information 7 8 system digital boundaries meeting or exceeding national map accuracy standards; or (iv) local units of government. 9

10 (k) "Holder" means a person or entity that has received 11 authorization to offer or provide cable or video service from 12 the Commission pursuant to Section 21-401 of this Article.

(1) "Household" means a house, an apartment, a mobile 13 14 home, a group of rooms, or a single room that is intended for 15 separate living quarters. Separate living occupancy as 16 quarters are those in which the occupants live and eat separately from any other persons in the building and that 17 18 have direct access from the outside of the building or through a common hall. This definition is consistent with the United 19 20 States Census Bureau, as that definition may be amended thereafter. 21

22 (m) "Incumbent cable operator" means a person or entity 23 that provided cable services or video services in a particular 24 area under a franchise agreement with a local unit of 25 government pursuant to Section 11-42-11 of the Illinois 26 Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/11-42-11) or Section 5-1095 of the 1

Counties Code (55 ILCS 5/5-1095) on January 1, 2007.

(n) "Local franchising authority" means the local unit of
government that has or requires a franchise with a cable
operator, a provider of cable services, or a provider of video
services to construct or operate a cable or video system or to
offer cable services or video services under Section 11-42-11
of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/11-42-11) or Section
5-1095 of the Counties Code (55 ILCS 5/5-1095).

9 (o) "Local unit of government" means a city, village,10 incorporated town, or county.

(p) "Low-income household" means those residential households located within the holder's existing telephone service area where the average annual household income is less than \$35,000, based on the United States Census Bureau estimates adjusted annually to reflect rates of change and distribution.

(q) "Public rights-of-way" means the areas on, below, or above a public roadway, highway, street, public sidewalk, alley, waterway, or utility easements dedicated for compatible uses.

(r) "Service" means the provision of cable service or video service to subscribers and the interaction of subscribers with the person or entity that has received authorization to offer or provide cable or video service from the Commission pursuant to Section 21-401 of this Act.

26 (s) "Service provider fee" means the amount paid under

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Section 21-801 of this Act by the holder to a municipality, or in the case of an unincorporated service area to a county, for service areas within its territorial jurisdiction, but under no circumstances shall the service provider fee be paid to more than one local unit of government for the same portion of the holder's service area.

(t) "Telecommunications service area" means the area 7 designated by the Commission as the area 8 in which a 9 telecommunications company was obligated to provide 10 non-competitive local telephone service as of February 8, 1996 11 as incorporated into Section 13-202.5 of this Act.

(u) "Video programming" means that term as defined in item(20) of 47 U.S.C. 522.

(v) "Video service" means video programming provided by a 14 15 video service provider and subscriber interaction, if any, 16 that is required for the selection or use of such video programming services, and that is provided through wireline 17 18 facilities located at least in part in the public 19 rights-of-way without regard to delivery technology, including 20 Internet protocol technology. This definition does not include 21 the following: (1) any video programming provided by a 22 commercial mobile service provider defined in subsection (d) 47 U.S.C. 332; (2) direct-to-home satellite services 23 of defined in subsection (v) of 47 U.S.C. 303; or (3) any video 24 25 programming provided solely as part of, and accessed via a 26 service that enables users to access content, information,

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electronic mail, or other services offered over the public
 Internet, including Internet streaming content.
 (Source: P.A. 100-20, eff. 7-1-17.)

4 (220 ILCS 5/21-801)

5 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2026)
6 Sec. 21-801. Applicable fees payable to the local unit of
7 government.

8 (a) Prior to offering cable service or video service in a 9 local unit of government's jurisdiction, a holder shall notify 10 the local unit of government. The notice shall be given to the 11 local unit of government at least 10 days before the holder 12 begins to offer cable service or video service within the 13 boundaries of that local unit of government.

14 (b) In any local unit of government in which a holder 15 offers cable service or video service on a commercial basis, the holder shall be liable for and pay the service provider fee 16 to the local unit of government. The local unit of government 17 shall adopt an ordinance imposing such a fee. The holder's 18 19 liability for the fee shall commence on the first day of the calendar month that is at least 30 days after the holder 20 21 receives such ordinance. For any such ordinance adopted on or 22 after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th 23 General Assembly, the holder's liability shall commence on the 24 first day of the calendar month that is at least 30 days after 25 the adoption of such ordinance. The ordinance shall be sent by

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1 mail, postage prepaid, to the address listed on the holder's application provided to the local unit of government pursuant 2 to item (6) of subsection (b) of Section 21-401 of this Act. 3 4 The fee authorized by this Section shall be 5% of gross 5 revenues or the same as the fee paid to the local unit of government by any incumbent cable operator providing cable 6 service. The payment of the service provider fee shall be due 7 on a quarterly basis, 45 days after the close of the calendar 8 9 quarter. If mailed, the fee is considered paid on the date it 10 is postmarked. Except as provided in this Article, the local 11 unit of government may not demand any additional fees or charges from the holder and may not demand the use of any other 12 13 calculation method other than allowed under this Article.

(c) For purposes of this Article, "gross revenues" means all consideration of any kind or nature, including, without limitation, cash, credits, property, and in-kind contributions received by the holder for the operation of a cable or video system to provide cable service or video service within the holder's cable service or video service area within the local unit of government's jurisdiction.

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(1) Gross revenues shall include the following:

22 (i) Recurring charges for cable service or video23 service.

(ii) Event-based charges for cable service or
 video service, including, but not limited to,
 pay-per-view and video-on-demand charges.

(iii) Rental of set-top boxes and other cable
 service or video service equipment.

3 (iv) Service charges related to the provision of 4 cable service or video service, including, but not 5 limited to, activation, installation, and repair 6 charges.

7 (v) Administrative charges related to the 8 provision of cable service or video service, including 9 but not limited to service order and service 10 termination charges.

(vi) Late payment fees or charges, insufficient
 funds check charges, and other charges assessed to
 recover the costs of collecting delinquent payments.

14 (vii) A pro rata portion of all revenue derived by 15 the holder or its affiliates pursuant to compensation 16 arrangements for advertising or for promotion or 17 exhibition of any products or services derived from the operation of the holder's network to provide cable 18 service or video service within the local unit of 19 20 government's jurisdiction. The allocation shall be based on the number of subscribers in the local unit of 21 22 government divided by the total number of subscribers 23 in relation to the relevant regional or national 24 compensation arrangement.

(viii) Compensation received by the holder that is
 derived from the operation of the holder's network to

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provide cable service or video service with respect to commissions that are received by the holder as compensation for promotion or exhibition of any products or services on the holder's network, such as a "home shopping" or similar channel, subject to item (ix) of this paragraph (1).

(ix) In the case of a cable service or video 7 8 service that is bundled or integrated functionally 9 with other services, capabilities, or applications, 10 the portion of the holder's revenue attributable to 11 the other services, capabilities, or applications shall be included in gross revenue unless the holder 12 13 can reasonably identify the division or exclusion of 14 the revenue from its books and records that are kept in 15 the regular course of business.

16 (x) The service provider fee permitted by17 subsection (b) of this Section.

18 (2) Gross revenues do not include any of the 19 following:

20 (i) Revenues not actually received, even if
21 billed, such as bad debt, subject to item (vi) of
22 paragraph (1) of this subsection (c).

(ii) Refunds, discounts, or other price
adjustments that reduce the amount of gross revenues
received by the holder of the State-issued
authorization to the extent the refund, rebate,

credit, or discount is attributable to cable service
 or video service.

3 (iii) Regardless of whether the services are bundled, packaged, or functionally integrated with 4 cable service or video service, any revenues received 5 from services not classified as cable service or video 6 7 service, including, without limitation, revenue 8 received from telecommunications services, information 9 services, or the provision of directory or Internet 10 advertising, including yellow pages, white pages, 11 banner advertisement, and electronic publishing, or any other revenues attributed by the holder to 12 13 noncable service or nonvideo service in accordance 14 with the holder's books and records and records kept 15 in the regular course of business and any applicable laws, rules, regulations, standards, or orders. 16

(iv) The sale of cable services or video services 17 for resale in which the purchaser is required to 18 19 collect the service provider fee from the purchaser's 20 subscribers to the extent the purchaser certifies in writing that it will resell the service within the 21 22 local unit of government's jurisdiction and pay the 23 fee permitted by subsection (b) of this Section with 24 respect to the service.

(v) Any tax or fee of general applicability
 imposed upon the subscribers or the transaction by a

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city, State, federal, or any other governmental entity and collected by the holder of the State-issued authorization and required to be remitted to the taxing entity, including sales and use taxes.

5 (vi) Security deposits collected from subscribers. 6 (vii) Amounts paid by subscribers to "home 7 shopping" or similar vendors for merchandise sold 8 through any home shopping channel offered as part of 9 the cable service or video service.

10(viii) Any revenues received from video11programming accessed via a service that enables users12to access content, information, electronic mail, or13other services offered over the Internet, including14Internet streaming content.

(3) Revenue of an affiliate of a holder shall be included in the calculation of gross revenues to the extent the treatment of the revenue as revenue of the affiliate rather than the holder has the effect of evading the payment of the fee permitted by subsection (b) of this Section which would otherwise be paid by the cable service or video service.

(d) (1) Except for a holder providing cable service that is subject to the fee in subsection (i) of this Section, the holder shall pay to the local unit of government or the entity designated by that local unit of government to manage public, education, and government access, upon request as support for 10300HB3808sam001 -61- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 public, education, and government access, a fee equal to no 2 less than (i) 1% of gross revenues or (ii) if greater, the 3 percentage of gross revenues that incumbent cable operators 4 pay to the local unit of government or its designee for public, 5 education, and government access support in the local unit of 6 government's jurisdiction. For purposes of item (ii) of paragraph (1) of this subsection (d), the percentage of gross 7 8 revenues that all incumbent cable operators pay shall be equal 9 to the annual sum of the payments that incumbent cable 10 operators in the service area are obligated to pay by 11 franchises and agreements or by contracts with the local government designee for public, education and government 12 13 access in effect on January 1, 2007, including the total of any lump sum payments required to be made over the term of each 14 15 franchise or agreement divided by the number of years of the 16 applicable term, divided by the annual sum of such incumbent cable operator's or operators' gross revenues during the 17 immediately prior calendar year. The sum of payments includes 18 19 any payments that an incumbent cable operator is required to 20 pay pursuant to item (3) of subsection (c) of Section 21-301.

(2) A local unit of government may require all holders of a State-issued authorization and all cable operators franchised by that local unit of government on June 30, 2007 (the effective date of this Section) in the franchise area to provide to the local unit of government, or to the entity designated by that local unit of government to manage public, 10300HB3808sam001 -62- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

education, and government access, information sufficient to calculate the public, education, and government access equivalent fee and any credits under paragraph (1) of this subsection (d).

5 (3) The fee shall be due on a quarterly basis and paid 45 days after the close of the calendar quarter. Each payment 6 shall include a statement explaining the basis for the 7 calculation of the fee. If mailed, the fee is considered paid 8 on the date it is postmarked. The liability of the holder for 9 10 payment of the fee under this subsection shall commence on the 11 same date as the payment of the service provider fee pursuant to subsection (b) of this Section. 12

(e) The holder may identify and collect the amount of the
service provider fee as a separate line item on the regular
bill of each subscriber.

(f) The holder may identify and collect the amount of the public, education, and government programming support fee as a separate line item on the regular bill of each subscriber.

(g) All determinations and computations under this Section shall be made pursuant to the definition of gross revenues set forth in this Section and shall be made pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles.

(h) Nothing contained in this Article shall be construed to exempt a holder from any tax that is or may later be imposed by the local unit of government, including any tax that is or may later be required to be paid by or through the holder with 10300HB3808sam001 -63- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

1 respect to cable service or video service. A State-issued authorization shall not affect any requirement of the holder 2 3 with respect to payment of the local unit of government's 4 simplified municipal telecommunications tax or any other tax 5 as it applies to any telephone service provided by the holder. A State-issued authorization shall not affect any requirement 6 of the holder with respect to payment of the local unit of 7 government's 911 or E911 fees, taxes, or charges. 8

9 (i) Except for a municipality having a population of 10 2,000,000 or more, the fee imposed under paragraph (1) of 11 subsection (d) by a local unit of government against a holder 12 who is a cable operator shall be as follows:

(1) the fee shall be collected and paid only for capital costs that are considered lawful under Subchapter VI of the federal Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and as implemented by the Federal Communications Commission;

18 (2) the local unit of government shall impose any fee19 by ordinance; and

(3) the fee may not exceed 1% of gross revenue; if, however, on the date that an incumbent cable operator files an application under Section 21-401, the incumbent cable operator is operating under a franchise agreement that imposes a fee for support for capital costs for public, education, and government access facilities obligations in excess of 1% of gross revenue, then the 10300HB3808sam001 -64- LRB103 30973 SPS 62190 a

cable operator shall continue to provide support for capital costs for public, education, and government access facilities obligations at the rate stated in such agreement.
Source: P.A. 99-6, eff. 6-29-15; 100-20, eff. 7-1-17.)".