

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 HB1244

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

220 ILCS 5/13-504

from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 13-504

Amends the Public Utilities Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the application of ratemaking provisions of Article IX of the ${\sf Act.}$

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

- Section 5. The Public Utilities Act is amended by changing Section 13-504 as follows:
- 6 (220 ILCS 5/13-504) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 13-504)
- 7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on July 1, 2005)
- 8 Sec. 13-504. Application of ratemaking provisions of 9 Article IX.
- (a) Except where the the context clearly renders such 10 provisions inapplicable, the ratemaking provisions of Article 11 IX of this Act relating to public utilities are fully and 12 equally applicable to the rates, charges, tariffs and 13 14 classifications for the offer or provision of noncompetitive 15 telecommunications services. However, the ratemaking 16 provisions do not apply to any proposed change in rates or 17 charges, any proposed change in any classification or tariff 18 resulting in a change in rates or charges, or the establishment 19 of new services and rates therefor for a noncompetitive local 20 exchange telecommunications service offered or provided by a local exchange telecommunications carrier with no more than 21 22 35,000 subscriber access lines. Proposed changes in rates, 23 charges, classifications, or tariffs meeting these criteria shall be permitted upon the filing of the proposed tariff and 24 25 30 days notice to the Commission and all potentially affected 26 customers. The proposed changes shall not be subject to The Commission shall investigate whether any 27 suspension. 28 change is just and reasonable only if proposed telecommunications carrier that is a customer of the local 29 30 exchange telecommunications carrier or 10% of the potentially affected access line subscribers of the local exchange 31 32 telecommunications carrier shall file a petition or complaint

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- requesting an investigation of the proposed changes. When the telecommunications carrier or 10% of the potentially affected access line subscribers of a local exchange telecommunications carrier file a complaint, the Commission shall, after notice and hearing, have the power and duty to establish the rates, charges, classifications, or tariffs it finds to be just and reasonable.
- 8 (b) Subsection (c) of Section 13-502 and Sections 13-505.1, 9 13-505.4, 13-505.6, and 13-507 of this Article do not apply to 10 rates or charges or proposed changes in rates or charges for 11 applicable competitive or interexchange services when offered 12 or provided by a local exchange telecommunications carrier with 13 no more than 35,000 subscriber access lines. In addition, 13-514, 13-515, and 13-516 do not apply to 14 Sections 15 telecommunications carriers with no more than 35,000 16 subscriber access lines. The Commission may require 17 telecommunications carriers with no than 35,000 more subscriber access lines to furnish information that 18 19 Commission deems necessary for a determination that rates and 20 charges for any competitive telecommunications service are just and reasonable. 21
 - (c) For a local exchange telecommunications carrier with no more than 35,000 access lines, the Commission shall consider and adjust, as appropriate, a local exchange telecommunications carrier's depreciation rates only in ratemaking proceedings.
- 27 (d) Article VI and Sections 7-101 and 7-102 of Article VII 28 of this Act pertaining to public utilities, public utility 29 rates and services, and the regulation thereof are not 30 applicable to local exchange telecommunication carriers with 31 no more than 35,000 subscriber access lines.
- 32 (Source: P.A. 89-139, eff. 1-1-96; 90-185, eff. 7-23-97.)