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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

220 ILCS 5/7-208

Amends the Public Utilities Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning HVAC affiliate marketing.

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AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

Section 5. The Public Utilities Act is amended by changing
Section 7-208 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/7-208)

7 Sec. 7-208. HVAC affiliate marketing.

8 (a) "HVAC affiliate" means all affiliated interests of a 9 gas utility <u>that</u> that provide heating, ventilating, or air 10 conditioning services to customers within the service 11 territory of the affiliated gas utility.

(b) When an HVAC affiliate advertises or markets heating, ventilating, or air conditioning services to the public, it shall include a disclaimer that, if audible, is conspicuous and if printed is of sufficient size to be clearly legible, and that states:

(Insert name of affiliate) is an affiliate of (insert name of gas utility) and is not regulated by the Illinois Commerce Commission. Customers are not required to buy products or services from (insert name of affiliate) in order to receive the same quality of service from the gas utility.

(c) The requirements in subsection (b) apply to all formsof advertising and marketing, including, but not limited to,

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- print, television, radio, internet, telephonic, bill inserts,
 and newsletters.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 92-852, eff. 8-26-02.)