

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

4 Section 5. The Public Utilities Act is amended by changing
5 Section 19-135 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/19-135)

7 Sec. 19-135. Single billing. It is the intent of the
8 General Assembly that in any service area where customers are
9 able to choose their natural gas supplier, a single billing
10 option shall be offered to customers for both the services
11 provided by the alternative gas supplier and the delivery
12 services provided by the gas utility. A gas utility shall file
13 a tariff pursuant to Article IX of this Act that allows
14 alternative gas suppliers to issue single bills to residential
15 and small commercial customers for both the services provided
16 by the alternative gas supplier and the delivery services
17 provided by the gas utility to customers; provided that if a
18 form of single billing is being offered in a gas utility's
19 service area on August 26, 2002, then ~~the effective date of~~
20 ~~this amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly,~~ that form of
21 single billing shall remain in effect unless and until
22 otherwise ordered by the Commission.

23 An alternative gas supplier may petition the Commission to

1 establish a standardized, uniform form of single billing for
2 use throughout the State by all gas utilities.

3 (Source: P.A. 92-852, eff. 8-26-02.)