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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

220 ILCS 5/10-106

from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 10-106

Amends the Public Utilities Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the issuance of subpoenas.

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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 10-106 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/10-106) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 10-106)

7 Sec. 10-106. All subpoenas issued under the the terms of this Act may be served by any person of full age. The fees of 8 witnesses for attendance and travel shall be the same as fees 9 of witnesses before the circuit courts of this State, such fees 10 to be paid when the witness is excused from further attendance, 11 when the witness is subpoenaed at the instance of the 12 Commission, or any commissioner or hearing examiner; and the 13 14 disbursements made in the payment of such fees shall be audited 15 and paid in the same manner as are other expenses of the Commission. Whenever a subpoena is issued at the instance of a 16 17 complainant, respondent, or other party to any proceeding 18 before the Commission, the Commission may require that the cost 19 of service thereof and the fee of the witness shall be borne by the party at whose instance the witness is summoned, and the 20 21 Commission shall have power, in its discretion, to require a 22 deposit to cover the cost of such service and witness fees and 23 the payment of the legal witness fee and mileage to the witness 24 when served with subpoena. A subpoena issued as aforesaid shall 25 be served in the same manner as a subpoena issued out of a 26 court.

Any person who shall be served with a subpoena to appear and testify, or to produce books, papers, accounts or documents, issued by the Commission or by any commissioner or hearing examiner, in the course of an inquiry, investigation or hearing conducted under any of the provisions of this Act, and who refuse or neglect to appear, or to testify, or to produce HB1941

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books, papers, accounts and documents relevant to said inquiry,
 investigation or hearing as commanded in such subpoena, shall
 be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

Any circuit court of this State, upon application of the 4 5 Commission, or a commissioner or hearing examiner, may, in its 6 discretion, compel the attendance of witnesses, the production of books, papers, accounts and documents, and the giving of 7 8 testimony before the Commission, or before any such 9 commissioner or hearing examiner, by an attachment for contempt 10 or otherwise, in the same manner as production of evidence may 11 be compelled before the court.

12 The Commission or a commissioner or hearing examiner or any 13 any investigation or hearing before party may in the Commission, cause the deposition of witnesses residing within 14 15 or without the State to be taken in the manner prescribed by 16 law for like depositions in civil actions in the courts of this 17 State and to that end may compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of papers, books, accounts and documents. 18

19 The Commission may require, by order served on any public 20 utility in the manner provided herein for the service of orders, the production within this State at such time and place 21 as it may designate, of any books, accounts, papers or 22 23 documents kept by any public utility operating within this State in any office or place without this State, or, at its 24 option, verified copies in lieu thereof, so that an examination 25 thereof may be made by the Commission or under its direction. 26 27 (Source: P.A. 84-617.)