



## 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2007 and 2008

HB1563

Introduced 2/22/2007, by Rep. Eddie Washington

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

220 ILCS 5/8-302

from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 8-302

Amends the Public Utilities Act. Provides that the Illinois Commerce Commission shall require that every public utility shall take an actual reading of a customer's service usage during each billing period, and that no utility may estimate a customer's service usage unless the customer has knowingly and willfully denied reasonable access to the utility's representative for the purpose of taking an actual meter reading. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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 8-302 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/8-302) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 8-302)  
7 Sec. 8-302.

8 (a) The Commission shall require that every public utility  
9 furnishing natural or artificial gas, electricity or water to  
10 the public, where the individual consumption is measured by  
11 meter, shall, upon written request of any consumer, cause the  
12 meter reader at the time of reading such consumer's meter to  
13 leave at such meter a card showing the present reading of the  
14 meter, the last previous reading, and the dates of such two  
15 readings.

16 (b) The Commission shall require that every public utility  
17 shall take an actual reading of a customer's service usage  
18 during each billing period, and that no utility may estimate a  
19 customer's service usage unless the customer has knowingly and  
20 willfully denied reasonable access to the utility's  
21 representative for the purpose of taking an actual meter  
22 reading.

23 (Source: P.A. 84-617.)

1           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
2    becoming law.