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HB4347

by Rep. Lou Lang

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

220 ILCS 5/13-406

from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 13-406

Amends the Public Utilities Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning discontinuation or abandonment of telecommunications service.

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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 13-406 as follows:

(220 ILCS 5/13-406) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 13-406) 6 7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on July 1, 2009) Sec. 13-406. No telecommunications carrier offering or 8 9 providing noncompetitive telecommunications service pursuant to a valid Certificate of Service Authority or certificate of 10 public convenience and and necessity shall discontinue or 11 abandon such service once initiated until and unless it shall 12 13 demonstrate, and the Commission finds, after notice and 14 hearing, that such discontinuance or abandonment will not 15 deprive customers of any necessary or essential 16 telecommunications service or access thereto and is not 17 to the public otherwise contrary interest. No telecommunications carrier offering or providing competitive 18 19 telecommunications service shall discontinue or abandon such 20 service once initiated except upon 30 days notice to the 21 Commission and affected customers. The Commission may, upon its 22 own motion or upon complaint, investigate the proposed discontinuance or abandonment of 23 a competitive HB4347 – 2 – LRB095 16513 MJR 42541 b

telecommunications service and may, after notice and hearing, prohibit such proposed discontinuance or abandonment if the Commission finds that it would be contrary to the public interest.

5 (Source: P.A. 84-1063.)