97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

220 ILCS 5/19-130

Amends the Public Utilities Act. Provides that the Illinois Commerce Commission's Office of Retail Market Development shall prepare an annual report regarding the development of competitive retail natural gas markets in Illinois. Provides that the report shall be approved by the Commission and filed by July 1 of each odd year with the Joint Committee on Legislative Support Services of the General Assembly and the Governor and shall be publicly available. Provides that the report shall contain certain information. Makes other changes.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning public utilities.

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 19-130 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/19-130)

7 Sec. 19-130. Commission study and report. The Commission's Office of Retail Market Development Beginning in 2003, and 8 9 ending in 2007, the Commission shall prepare an annual report regarding the development of competitive retail natural gas 10 markets in Illinois. The report shall be approved by the 11 Commission and be filed by July 1 of each odd year with the 12 Joint Committee on Legislative Support Services of the General 13 14 Assembly and the Governor and shall be publicly available. The report shall include, at a minimum, the following information: 15

16 (1) the aggregate annual demand of retail natural gas 17 customers in the State of Illinois in the preceding 18 calendar year;

19 (2) the total annual therms delivered and sold to 20 retail customers in the State of Illinois by each gas 21 utility and each alternative gas supplier in the preceding 22 calendar year;

23 (3) the percentage of therms delivered and sold to

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1 customers in the State of Illinois in the preceding 2 calendar year by each gas utility and each alternative gas 3 supplier;

(4) the total number of customers in the State of Illinois served in the preceding calendar year by each gas utility and each alternative gas supplier;

7 (1) (5) an analysis of the status and development of 8 the retail natural gas market in the State of Illinois; and 9 (2) a discussion of any identified barriers to the 10 development of competitive retail natural gas markets in 11 Illinois and proposed solutions to overcome identified 12 barriers; and

<u>(3)</u> (6) any other information the Commission considers significant in assessing the development of gas markets in the State of Illinois.

16 <u>To aid in preparation of its annual report, as well in its</u> 17 <u>assessment of barriers to the development of competitive retail</u> 18 <u>natural gas markets and proposed solutions to overcome those</u> 19 <u>barriers, the Commission's Office of Retail Market Development</u> 20 <u>shall gather input from all interested parties as well as from</u> 21 <u>other bureaus within the Commission.</u>

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