

SB3612



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SB3612

Introduced 2/5/2026, by Sen. Rachel Ventura

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

220 ILCS 5/16-108.35 new

Amends the Public Utilities Act. Provides that, beginning January 1, 2027, broadband providers shall offer affordable rates to serve the needs of low-income broadband customers. Provides that the Illinois Commerce Commission shall establish and implement appropriate rules to ensure that low-income broadband rates are developed by broadband providers, including, but not limited to, rules establishing minimum Internet service speeds at affordable rates and setting a maximum low-income broadband rate for broadband service. Effective immediately.

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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 adding
5 Section 16-108.35 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/16-108.35 new)

7 Sec. 16-108.35. Broadband providers; low-income rates.
8 Beginning January 1, 2027, broadband providers shall offer
9 affordable rates to serve the needs of low-income broadband
10 customers. The Commission shall establish and implement
11 appropriate rules to ensure that low-income broadband rates
12 are developed by broadband providers, including, but not
13 limited to, rules establishing minimum Internet service speeds
14 at affordable rates and setting a maximum low-income broadband
15 rate for broadband service.

16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
17 becoming law.