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1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4118
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 4118 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:
4	"Section 5. The Public Utilities Act is amended by adding
5	Section 8-206.5 as follows:
6	(220 ILCS 5/8-206.5 new)
7	Sec. 8-206.5. Disconnection Protection Program.
8	(a) No later than June 1, 2025, each electric and gas
9	utility serving more than 500,000 customers in this State
10	shall implement a Disconnection Protection Program, whereby
11	customers who have applied for assistance through the Low
12	Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) or Percentage
13	of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) shall be temporarily protected
14	from disconnection for 30 days after the utility receives
15	notice from a local administrative agency that the customer
16	has submitted an application to LIHEAP or PIPP and, in cases

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1	where LIHEAP or PIPP assistance is received, for another 45
2	days after receiving the notice. Any customer who applies for,
3	but does not receive, LIHEAP or PIPP assistance shall, by
4	operation of this Section, only be temporarily protected from
5	disconnection once in any program year.
6	(b) Each electric and gas utility may recover costs for
7	implementation, administration, and ongoing operation of its
8	Disconnection Protection Program through the utility's revenue
9	requirement, subject to a review for prudence and
10	reasonableness by the Commission.".