

1 AN ACT concerning public utilities.

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 8-209 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/8-209 new)

7 Sec. 8-209. Deposits in connection with delinquent
8 payments. A public utility may not require a residential or
9 non-residential customer to make a deposit with the utility
10 on the basis that the customer has paid a bill late unless
11 the payment is made more than 60 days after the bill is sent
12 to the customer or unless the customer's wires, meters,
13 pipes, or other service equipment have been tampered with and
14 the customer has received the benefit of the tampering.