

HOUSE BILL No. 5073

September 25, 2003, Introduced by Reps. Spade, Sheltroun, Law, Bieda, Wojno, Farrah,
Plakas, Meyer, Sak and Brown and referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

A bill to amend 1939 PA 3, entitled

"An act to provide for the regulation and control of public utilities and other services affected with a public interest within this state; to provide for alternative energy suppliers; to provide for licensing; to include municipally owned utilities and other providers of energy under certain provisions of this act; to create a public service commission and to prescribe and define its powers and duties; to abolish the Michigan public utilities commission and to confer the powers and duties vested by law on the public service commission; to provide for the continuance, transfer, and completion of certain matters and proceedings; to abolish automatic adjustment clauses; to prohibit certain rate increases without notice and hearing; to qualify residential energy conservation programs permitted under state law for certain federal exemption; to create a fund; to provide for a restructuring of the manner in which energy is provided in this state; to encourage the utilization of resource recovery facilities; to prohibit certain acts and practices of providers of energy; to allow for the securitization of stranded costs; to reduce rates; to provide for appeals; to provide appropriations; to declare the effect and purpose of this act; to prescribe remedies and penalties; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

(MCL 460.1 to 460.10cc) by adding section 6q.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 6q. (1) The Michigan public service commission shall

1 issue orders requiring all electric and telecommunication service
2 providers to establish procedures to ensure that in the event of
3 power or service disruption, resources are first directed at
4 restoring electricity or telecommunications to entities providing
5 fire, police, and emergency services.

6 (2) The procedures required under subsection (1) shall
7 provide that after fire, police, and emergency services, the next
8 group of customers to receive priority for power or service
9 restoration shall be licensed television, radio, and cable
10 providers.