

1 AN ACT concerning consumer protection.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Consumer Fraud and Deceptive Business
5 Practices Act is amended by adding Section 2MM as follows:

6 (815 ILCS 505/2MM new)

7 Sec. 2MM. Utility, telecommunications and cable services
8 providers; filed rate doctrine.

9 (a) Companies marketing electricity, natural gas,
10 telecommunications, or cable television services to retail
11 customers are subject to the provisions of this Act
12 regardless of whether rates are on file with any federal,
13 State, or local commission.

14 (b) The filed rate doctrine does not provide a defense
15 to any action brought under this Act.

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