

1 AN ACT in relation to 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
5 changing Section 9-223 as follows:

6 (220 ILCS 5/9-223) (from Ch. 111 2/3, par. 9-223)

7 Sec. 9-223. Fire protection charge. The Commission may
8 authorize any public utility engaged in the production,
9 storage, transmission, sale, delivery or furnishing of water
10 to impose a fire protection charge, in addition to any rate
11 authorized by this Act, sufficient to cover a reasonable
12 portion of the cost of providing the capacity, facilities and
13 the water necessary to meet the fire protection needs of any
14 municipality or public fire protection district. Such fire
15 protection charge shall be in the form of a fixed amount per
16 bill and shall be shown separately on the utility bill of
17 each customer of the municipality or fire protection
18 district. Any filing by a public utility to impose such a
19 fire protection charge or to modify a charge shall be made
20 pursuant to Section 9-201 of this Act. Any fire protection
21 charge imposed shall reflect the costs associated with
22 providing fire protection service for each municipality or
23 fire protection district. No such charge shall be imposed
24 directly on any municipality or fire protection district for
25 a reasonable level of fire protection services unless
26 provided for in a separate agreement between the municipality
27 or the fire protection district and the utility.

28 (Source: P.A. 84-617.)