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COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE

D.C. LAW 8-47

"Public Utilities Act of 1989".

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P. L. 93~198, "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 8-321 on first and second readings, June 27, 1989, and July 11, 1989, respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on August 1, 1989, this legislation was assigned Act No. 8-80, published in the August 11, 1989, edition of the <u>D.C. Register</u>, (Vol. 36 page 5786) and transmitted to Congress on August 8, 1989 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602(c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and therefore, cites this enactment as D.C. Law 8-47, effective October 19, 1989.

DAVID A. CLARKE Chairman of the Council

Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:

September 6,7,8,11,12,13,14,15,18,19,20,21,22,25,26,27,28,29

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D.C. ACT 8 - 80

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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To amend An Act Making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and for other purposes to establish certification authority for the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Public Utilities Act of 1989".

Paragraph 2 of section 8 of Chapter 150 of An Sec. 2. Act Making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June Thirtieth, nineteen hundred and fourteen, and for other purposes, approved March 4, 1913 (37 Stat. 977; D.C. Code, sec. 43-501), is amended as follows:

Section 43-501

"Sec. 8. Utility service and charges to be just and

reasonable; certification required.

"(a) Every public utility doing business within the District of Columbia is required to furnish service and facilities reasonably safe and adequate and in all respects just and reasonable. The charge made by any public utility for a facility or service furnished, rendered, or to be furnished or rendered, shall be reasonable, just, and nondiscriminatory. Every unjust, unreasonable, or discriminatory charge for the facility or service is prohibited and unlawful. Every public utility is required to obey the lawful orders of the Commission created by Chapter 150.

"(b) No public utility shall furnish a service or facility, directly or indirectly, without first proceeding and proving to the satisfaction of the Public Service Commission ("Commission") that the present and future public convenience and necessity requires that the service be provided or the facility be offered. Upon application of a

public utility for a certificate of present and future public convenience and necessity pursuant to this subsection, the Commission, upon a hearing and notice to the public, shall issue an order granting or denying the application, in whole or in part, stating the reasons for the action. The Commission may prescribe terms and conditions upon a grant of an application for a certificate of present and future public convenience and necessity as the Commission, in its discretion, decides are necessary to further the present and future public convenience and necessity. The Commission is authorized to promulgate any rules necessary to implement this subsection.

"(c) Every public utility that was regulated by the Commission and that furnished a service or facility within the District of Columbia as of the effective date of the Public Utilities Emergency Act of 1989 is deemed to have been granted a certificate of public convenience and

necessity"."

"(d) The Commission is authorized to promulgate any rules necessary to implement this section.".

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect after a 30-day period of Congressional review following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council of the District of Columbia to override the veto) as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Code, sec. 1-233(c)(1)), and publication in either the District of Columbia Register, the District of Columbia Statutes-at-Large, or the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.

Chairman

Council of the District of Columbia

Mayor

District of Columbia

APPROVED: August 1, 1989



COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Council Period Eight

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