

## HOUSE BILL No. 2345

By Committee on Utilities

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AN ACT concerning retail natural gas bills to consumers; providing for disclosure of certain components.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

Section 1. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "Commission" means the state corporation commission.

(2) "Distribution services" means services provided from the point where natural gas enters the distribution system to the point at which the natural gas is delivered to consumers.

(3) "Natural gas public utility" means a natural gas public utility, as defined by K.S.A. 66-1,200, and amendments thereto, that is subject to the jurisdiction of the commission but does not include any municipal natural gas utility or portion thereof.

(4) "Transmission services" means services provided from the point where natural gas is produced to the point at which the natural gas enters the distribution system.

(b) Before January 1, 2001, the commission shall adopt rules and regulations requiring that, on and after July 1, 2002, a natural gas public utility's retail natural gas bills to consumers shall disclose the components specified by subsection (d) and such other components as the commission determines will adequately inform consumers.

(c) On and after July 1, 2002, if a municipal natural gas utility's annual gross revenues are \$500,000 or more, such utility's retail natural gas bills to consumers shall disclose the components specified by subsection (d), the component attributable to budgeted transfers to the city general fund and such additional components as the governing body of the municipality determines will adequately inform consumers.

(d) The following components are required to be disclosed pursuant to subsections (b) and (c):

(1) Charges for natural gas as a commodity;

(2) distribution service charges;

(3) transmission service charges; and

(4) sales, use and franchise taxes, and any fees, relating to the sale or furnishing of natural gas at retail.

(e) All reasonable costs of complying with this section shall be recov-

1 erable through a competitive transaction charge to be determined by the  
2 commission, except to the extent that the commission determines recov-  
3 ery will be completed through regulated rates.

4 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
5 publication in the Kansas register.

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