

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 45th Legislature (1996)

HOUSE BILL NO. 2926

By: Steidley

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Corporation Commission;

requiring certain disclosure of rate adjustments in a public utility customer bill; requiring certain disclosure upon request of a consumer; providing definition of a public utility; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 180.12 of Title 17, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Any public utility which makes an adjustment in its rates for any reason which has been approved or ordered by the Corporation Commission shall separately disclose in the customer's bill the charge or per unit cost for the adjustment. Upon request of an individual consumer, the utility shall also disclose for the month for which the request is received the actual amount of the adjustment in dollars and cents and the per unit rate and amount in dollars and cents of the adjustment, if included in the basic rate.

B. For purposes of this section, "public utility" or "utility" means any individual, firm, association, partnership, corporation, or any combination of each, other than a municipal corporation or their lessees, trustees and receivers, owning or operating for compensation in this state equipment or facilities for producing,

generating, transmitting, distributing, selling or furnishing electricity or, transmitting or distributing, directly or indirectly, combustible hydrocarbon, natural or synthetic natural gas for sale to the public or for wholesale, unless its wholesale rates are regulated by a federal agency.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1996.

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