FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE BILL NO. 430

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MCCREERY.

0354S.01I KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To amend chapter 393, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to terms and conditions issued by public utilities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 393, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto

- 2 one new section, to be known as section 393.975, to read as
- 3 follows:
 - 393.975. 1. A public utility shall not prohibit a
- 2 customer of such public utility, in the terms and conditions
- 3 of service, from bringing a civil action or a class action
- 4 lawsuit against the public utility or otherwise limit the
- 5 ability of a customer to bring only an action in a small
- 6 claims court or arbitration. Any terms and conditions of
- 7 service issued by a public utility that violate the
- 8 provisions of this section shall be deemed null and void.
- 9 For purposes of this section, the term "public utility" is
- 10 the same as in section 386.020.
- 11 2. The provisions of this section shall only apply to
- 12 investor-owned public utilities under the jurisdiction of
- 13 the public service commission.