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1983 Senate Bill 344

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## 1983 Wisconsin Act 144

AN ACT to amend 196.39 of the statutes, relating to changes in public service commission orders (suggested as remedial legislation by the public service commission).

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

LAW REVISION COMMITTEE PREFATORY NOTE: This bill is a remedial legislation proposal, requested by the public service commission, and introduced by the law revision committee under s. 13.83 (1) (c) 4 of the statutes. After careful consideration of the various provisions of this bill, the law revision committee

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has determined that this bill makes minor substantive changes in the statutes, and that these changes are desirable as a matter of public policy.

SECTION 1. 196.39 of the statutes is amended to read:

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196.39 Change, amendment and rescission of orders; reopening cases. The commission may at any time, on its own motion or upon motion of an interested party, and upon notice to the public utility and after opportunity to be heard, rescind, alter or amend any order fixing rates, tolls, charges or schedules, or any other order made by the commission, and may reopen any case following the issuance of an order therein, for the taking of further evidence or for any other reason. Any order rescinding, altering, amending or reopening a prior order shall have the same effect as an original order. Within 30 days after service of an order, the commission may correct an error or omission in the order related to transcription, typing or calculation without hearing if the correction does not alter the intended effect of the order.

LAW REVISION COMMITTEE NOTE: Errors in typing or calculation occasionally occur in major orders issued by the public service commission. This bill permits the public service commission to correct errors by modifying the orders. Such corrections can be made without a public hearing, if the change does not alter the intended effect of the order. All parties to the case will receive a copy of the modified order, and may petition for a hearing if they feel that the correction appears to alter the intended effect of the order.