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**CHAPTER 37.**

AN ACT to amend 111.51 (1) of the statutes, relating to definition of "public utility employer" under the public utility labor disputes law.

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

111.51 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

111.51 (1) "Public utility employer" means any employer (other than the state or any political subdivision thereof) engaged in the business of furnishing water, light, heat, gas, electric power, public passenger transportation or communication, or any one or more of them, to the public in this state; *and shall be deemed to include a rural electrification co-operative association engaged in the business of furnishing any one or more of such services or utilities to its members in this state. Nothing in this subsection shall be interpreted or construed to mean that rural electrification co-operative associations are hereby brought under or made subject to chapter 196 or other laws creating, governing or controlling public utilities, it being the intent of the legislature to specifically exclude rural electrification co-operative associations from the provisions of such laws.* This subchapter does not apply to railroads nor railroad employees.

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