

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1082

Introduced by Assembly Member Calderon

February 25, 1999

An act to amend Section 328 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to public utilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1082, as introduced, Calderon. Public Utilities Commission: natural gas restructuring.

The Public Utilities Act authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to investigate the restructuring of natural gas services, as specified, but prohibits the commission, prior to January 1, 2000, from enacting any gas industry restructuring decisions and from enforcing certain natural gas restructuring decisions for core customers.

This bill would extend that prohibition against enacting gas industry restructuring decisions until July 1, 2001.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 328 of the Public Utilities Code
2 is amended to read:

3 328. The commission may investigate issues
4 associated with the further restructuring of natural gas
5 services beyond decisions made prior to July 1, 1998. If the
6 commission determines that further natural gas industry

1 restructuring for core customers, as considered in
2 Rulemaking 98-01-011, including, but not limited to,
3 opening or changing competitive markets, establishing
4 consumer protection standards, or unbundling costs,
5 rates or services, is in the public interest, the commission
6 shall submit its findings and recommendations to the
7 Legislature. Prior to ~~January 1, 2000~~ *July 1, 2001*, the
8 commission shall not enact any ~~such~~ gas industry
9 restructuring decisions. Any commission natural gas
10 restructuring decisions for core customers, as considered
11 in Rulemaking 98-01-011 enacted prior to the effective
12 date of this section, but after July 1, 1998, shall not be
13 enforced.

