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A BILL FOR

1 An Act requiring dealers of liquefied petroleum gas to make
2 information relating to common purchase options available to
3 residential customers and to offer contract purchase options
4 to those customers.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 473.18 OPTIONS PROGRAM FOR
2 RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS.

3 1. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise
4 requires:

5 a. "Dealer" means a person engaged in the ordinary course
6 of business of selling liquefied petroleum gas to a consumer
7 who uses the gas to provide an energy source to a residence.

8 b. "Liquefied petroleum gas" or "gas" means material used
9 for fuel composed of the following hydrocarbons or the
10 following mixture of hydrocarbons: propane, propylene, normal
11 butanes, isobutanes, or butylenes.

12 2. A dealer shall display and make available to
13 residential customers purchasing liquefied petroleum gas the
14 most current publication of an awareness guide provided by the
15 department that contains information relating to the purchase
16 of liquefied petroleum gas by residential customers, including
17 but not limited to options commonly offered by dealers to such
18 customers. The description of commonly offered options shall
19 include benefits of selecting extended payments plans,
20 purchasing gas during periods of low demand, and executing
21 contracts for the supply of gas at predetermined prices.

22 3. The department shall adopt rules under chapter 17A
23 requiring a dealer to provide to residential customers
24 purchasing liquefied petroleum gas an offer to purchase gas by
25 contract. The contract shall provide for the purchase of a
26 supply of gas during periods of high demand at a predetermined
27 price.

28 EXPLANATION

29 This bill creates new Code section 473.18 and provides that
30 a liquefied petroleum gas dealer must display and make
31 available to residential customers the most recent publication
32 of an awareness guide provided by the department of natural
33 resources which includes information regarding purchasing
34 options. The department is to adopt rules requiring a dealer
35 to provide a contract purchase option to residential

1 customers. The contract option must provide for the purchase
2 of liquefied petroleum gas during periods of high demand at a
3 predetermined price.

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