451.09 STEAM HEAT DISCONTINUED; NOTICE; COST TO CONVERT.

Subdivision 1. **By utility board, with council approval.** A public utilities board or commission that operates a steam heat system in a home rule charter city may discontinue the system in whole or part if the city council approves.

Subd. 2. **May pay to convert.** If the council approves, the board or commission may spend money to pay those whose service is discontinued to convert to another type of heat system.

Subd. 3. **Supersedes other law, charter.** This section applies notwithstanding a contrary city charter or other law.

Subd. 4. **Exceptions: Austin, Marshall, Virginia.** Subdivisions 1 to 3 do not apply to the cities of Austin, Marshall, and Virginia.

Subd. 5. **Two years' notice.** A public utilities board or commission that operates a steam heat system in a home rule charter city must give the commissioner of employment and economic development two years' notice of its intended date to discontinue the system.

History: *1969 c 796 s 1; 1976 c 44 s 46; Ex1979 c 2 s 41; 1981 c 356 s 221; 1983 c 289 s 115 subd 1; 1987 c 312 art 1 s 26 subd 2; 1988 c 469 art 6 s 1; 1Sp2003 c 4 s 1*