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House Bill 1220

By: Representative Smith of the 41st

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Chapter 1 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 general provisions regarding public utilities and public transportation, so as to prohibit utility
- 3 companies from suspending or disconnecting retail service on certain days; to provide for
- 4 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Chapter 1 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general
- 8 provisions regarding public utilities and public transportation, is amended by adding a new
- 9 Code section to read as follows:
- 10 "46-1-6.
- 11 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall be unlawful for a natural gas marketer
- or retail supplier of electricity, natural gas, or water to shut down, suspend, or disconnect
- 13 <u>service of a retail customer for nonpayment or for having a delinquent account on a Friday</u>
- or on any day immediately preceding a public and legal holiday as set forth in Code
- 15 Section 1-4-1."

SECTION 2.

17 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.