

The House Committee on Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications offers the following substitute to HB 1220:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to jurisdiction, powers, and duties generally of the Public Service Commission, so  
3 as to subject certain companies providing water service in this state to regulation by the  
4 commission; to provide for exclusions and limitations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for  
5 other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
9 jurisdiction, powers, and duties generally of the Public Service Commission, is amended by  
10 adding a new Code section to read as follows:

11 "46-2-23.2.

12 (a)(1) Any company providing water service or waste-water service, or both, in this state  
13 by means of pipes or conduits to 1,000 or more customer service connections shall be  
14 under the control and jurisdiction of the commission, which shall have full power to  
15 regulate the rates and prices charged by any such company for such service and the terms

16 or conditions of such service. In addition, the commission shall have the authority to  
17 resolve customer complaints and disputes regarding such service.

18 (2) In fixing the rates for such company, the commission may fix such rates on the ratio  
19 of the operating expenses to the operating revenues.

20 (3) This subsection shall not apply to any water service or waste-water service provided  
21 by the state or any political subdivision or authority thereof.

22 (b) The powers granted to the commission pursuant to this Code section shall not extend  
23 to include or otherwise affect that authority and jurisdiction of the Board of Natural  
24 Resources, the Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources,  
25 or the director of such division under Chapter 5 of Title 12."

26 **SECTION 2.**

27 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.