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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 58‑1‑70 SO AS TO REQUIRE A UTILITY THAT OFFERS A DRIVE‑THROUGH WINDOW FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE TO PERMIT A CUSTOMER TO MAKE A PAYMENT AT ITS DRIVE‑THROUGH WINDOW, AND TO PROVIDE WHAT CONSTITUTES A “UTILITY”.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Chapter 1, Title 58 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

 Section 58‑1‑70. If a utility offers a drive‑through window for customer service, that utility must permit a customer to make a payment to the utility at its drive‑through window. For purposes of this section, “utility” is an entity that directly provides electricity, water, or wastewater services to the citizens of this State and is: (1) regulated by the Public Service Commission; (2) the Public Service Authority; (3) an electrical cooperative; (4) a county or a municipality established pursuant to authority granted in Title 4 of the South Carolina Code of Laws; or (5) a local governmental entity established pursuant to authority granted in Title 5 or Title 6 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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