

**Session 118 - (2009-2010)**

**H\*4448 (Rat #0327, Act #0258 of 2010) General Bill, By Sandifer, Agnew, Duncan, M.A. Pitts, Neilson, Brady, Gunn, Lowe, Funderburk, Hardwick, Mitchell, Hearn, Pinson, Bales, Clemmons, Toole, D.C. Moss, Ballentine, Willis, Huggins, Long, Simrill, H.B. Brown, Kirsh, Forrester, Rice, Anderson, D.C. Smith, Nanney, Vick, Stewart, T.R. Young, Bowers, Allen, V.S. Moss, Whitmire, Littlejohn, G.R. Smith, Hayes, Cobb-Hunter, J.R. Smith, Brantley, Gambrell, King, Viers, Bannister, Dillard, Ott, Jefferson, Herbkersman, Allison, Wylie, R.L. Brown, Whipper, Weeks and Hodges**

**Similar (S 1096)**

**Summary:** Electric cooperatives

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 58-5-380, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON INTERRUPTION OF ELECTRIC AND GAS SERVICES TO RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER FOR NONPAYMENT OF BILL, SO AS TO AUTHORIZE GAS UTILITIES TO IMPLEMENT PREPAYMENT PROGRAMS FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS IN SUCH A MANNER THAT WILL PROMOTE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BY FACILITATING CONSUMER AWARENESS OF ENERGY USE AND THE CONSERVATION OF ENERGY RESOURCES AND TO ALLOW THE GAS UTILITIES TO INTERRUPT SERVICE WHEN THE PREPAID ACCOUNT BALANCE IS ZERO IF CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE MET, AND ALLOW ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE; BY ADDING SECTION 58-27-250 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE ELECTRIC UTILITIES TO IMPLEMENT PREPAYMENT PROGRAMS FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS IN SUCH A MANNER THAT WILL PROMOTE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BY FACILITATING CONSUMER AWARENESS OF ENERGY USE AND THE CONSERVATION OF ENERGY RESOURCES AND TO ALLOW THE UTILITIES TO INTERRUPT SERVICE WHEN THE PREPAID ACCOUNT BALANCE IS ZERO IF CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE MET, AND ALLOW ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE; BY ADDING SECTION 58-31-460 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT PREPAYMENT PROGRAMS FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS IN SUCH A MANNER THAT WILL PROMOTE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BY FACILITATING CONSUMER AWARENESS OF ENERGY USE AND THE CONSERVATION OF ENERGY RESOURCES AND TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY TO INTERRUPT SERVICE WHEN THE PREPAID ACCOUNT BALANCE IS ZERO; BY ADDING SECTION 33-49-255 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES TO IMPLEMENT PREPAYMENT PROGRAMS FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS IN SUCH A MANNER THAT WILL PROMOTE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BY FACILITATING CONSUMER AWARENESS OF ENERGY USE AND THE CONSERVATION OF ENERGY RESOURCES AND TO ALLOW THE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES TO INTERRUPT SERVICE WHEN THE PREPAID ACCOUNT BALANCE IS ZERO; AND BY ADDING SECTION 5-31-690 SO AS TO AUTHORIZE MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC AND GAS SYSTEMS TO IMPLEMENT PREPAYMENT PROGRAMS FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS IN SUCH A MANNER THAT WILL PROMOTE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BY FACILITATING CONSUMER AWARENESS OF ENERGY USE AND THE CONSERVATION OF ENERGY RESOURCES AND TO ALLOW THE SYSTEMS TO INTERRUPT SERVICE WHEN THE PREPAID ACCOUNT BALANCE IS ZERO. - ratified title

- 01/28/10 House Introduced and read first time HJ-2**
- 01/28/10 House Referred to Committee on Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-2**
- 02/02/10 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Agnew, Duncan, M.A.Pitts, Neilson, Brady, Gunn, Lowe, Funderburk, Hardwick, Mitchell**
- 02/03/10 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hearn, Pinson, Bales, Clemmons, Toole, D.C.Moss, Ballentine, Willis, Huggins, Long, Simrill**
- 02/04/10 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: H.B.Brown, Kirsh, Forrester, Rice, Anderson, D.C.Smith, Nanney, Vick, Stewart, T.R.Young**
- 02/04/10 House Committee report: Favorable with amendment Labor, Commerce and Industry HJ-10**
- 02/08/10 Scrivener's error corrected**
- 02/16/10 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Bowers, Allen, V.S.Moss, Whitmire, Littlejohn, G.R.Smith, Hayes, Cobb-Hunter, J.R.Smith, Brantley**
- 02/17/10 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Gambrell, King, Viers, Bannister**
- 02/18/10 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Dillard, Ott, Jefferson**
- 02/18/10 House Amended HJ-28**
- 02/18/10 House Debate adjourned until Tuesday, February 23, 2010 HJ-33**
- 02/23/10 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Herbkersman**
- 02/24/10 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Allison, Wylie, R.L.Brown, Whipper, Weeks**
- 02/24/10 House Debate adjourned until Thursday, February 25, 2010 HJ-20**

02/25/10 House Member(s) request name added as sponsor: Hodges  
02/25/10 House Amended HJ-19  
02/25/10 House Read second time HJ-22  
02/25/10 House Roll call Yeas-104 Nays-1 HJ-22  
02/25/10 House Unanimous consent for third reading on next legislative day HJ-23  
02/26/10 House Read third time and sent to Senate HJ-2  
02/26/10 Scrivener's error corrected  
03/02/10 Senate Introduced and read first time SJ-19  
03/02/10 Senate Referred to Committee on Judiciary SJ-19  
03/05/10 Senate Referred to Subcommittee: Rankin (ch), Hutto, Campbell  
05/19/10 Senate Committee report: Favorable with amendment Judiciary SJ-35  
05/26/10 Senate Committee Amendment Amended and Adopted SJ-70  
05/26/10 Senate Read second time SJ-70  
05/27/10 Scrivener's error corrected  
05/27/10 Senate Read third time and returned to House with amendments SJ-24  
05/28/10 Scrivener's error corrected  
06/02/10 House Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled HJ-59  
06/02/10 House Roll call Yeas-100 Nays-1 HJ-59  
06/07/10 Ratified R 327  
06/11/10 Signed By Governor  
07/02/10 Effective date 06/11/10  
07/08/10 Act No. 258