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A Bill

SENATE BILL 685

By: Senator D. Wallace

By: Representative Rye

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO REDUCE THE BURDEN ON SEWER UTILITIES IN
PROVIDING NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF SERVICE; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO REDUCE THE BURDEN ON SEWER UTILITIES
IN PROVIDING NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF
SERVICE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-234-703(b)(1), concerning cooperation between sewer and water utilities, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) A corresponding water utility shall terminate water service to a customer of the sewer utility who is also a customer of the corresponding water utility upon receiving a signed statement from a representative of the sewer utility that states ~~the following:~~

(A) ~~The~~ That the customer has not paid for sewer utility service for more than fifteen (15) days past the ~~earliest~~ due date shown on the face of the sewer utility bill; and

(B) ~~The sewer utility has sent notice to the customer via the United States Postal Service to an address provided by the customer that service will be terminated in no less than fifteen (15) days from the date of mailing if the balance due for sewer utility service and any applicable late fees are not paid; and~~ That the sewer utility has sent notice to the customer by the sewer utility's preferred delivery method of notification from the



choices of notification that the United States Postal Service can provide.

~~(C) The sewer utility has posted notice of the pending termination of service at the front door of the service location.~~

/s/D. Wallace

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