

House Bill 587 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives May of the 111th, Harbin of the 118th, Fleming of the 117th, and Roberts of the 154th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to the distribution, storage, and sale of gas, so as to provide for revocation of a
3 certificate of public convenience and necessity if the holder of the certificate has not begun
4 construction or operation of any pipeline, or distribution system, or any extension thereof,
5 in substantially all of the territory covered by such certificate where an end-use customer,
6 property owner, or developer has requested natural gas service; to provide for related matters;
7 to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and
8 for other purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

10 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

11 Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
12 distribution, storage, and sale of gas, is amended by adding a new subsection to Code
13 Section 46-4-28, relating to the suspension, revocation, alteration, or amendment of
14 certificates by the Public Service Commission, to read as follows:

15 "(a.1) Any certificate issued under this article shall be revoked or amended by the
16 commission upon application to the commission by a person to provide natural gas service
17 to a specified end-use customer, property owner, or developer who has requested natural
18 gas service if the holder of the certificate has failed to begin construction or operation of
19 any pipeline, or distribution system, or any extension thereof, in substantially all of the
20 territory covered by such certificate. Once a person has filed such an application, the
21 portion of the certificate of the territory for which the applicant is seeking to provide
22 natural gas service to a specified end-use customer, property owner, or developer shall be
23 deemed revoked or amended. The commission shall determine whether the applicant shall
24 be entitled to a certificate for the territory that has been excluded from the certificate by
25 revocation or amendment, whether such territory should be re-issued to the person who
26 held the certificate at the time of the application, or whether such territory shall be deemed

