

The Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities offered the following substitute to HB 641:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 3 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 electric services, so as to require certain electric suppliers to have in place a written policy
3 regarding discontinuation of electric service to residential consumers with serious,
4 life-threatening conditions; to provide for furnishing of such policy to consumers; to provide
5 an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;
6 and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Chapter 3 of Title 46, relating to electrical service, is amended in Code Section 46-3-11,
10 relating to application by electric supplier of discriminatory rates, charges, or service rules
11 or regulations and prohibited acts by electric suppliers generally, by adding a new subsection
12 to read as follows:

13 "(c) Beginning January 1, 2027, any electric supplier that serves residential consumers
14 shall have in place a written policy regarding discontinuation of electric service to
15 residential consumers who have a serious, life-threatening condition and have provided
16 the electric supplier with a written statement from a physician, county board of health,

17 hospital, or clinic identifying the such condition and its expected duration, and certifying
18 that the condition would be aggravated by a discontinuation of electric service, and shall
19 furnish such written policy upon request by a consumer or potential consumer."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.