

ENGROSSED SENATE  
BILL NO. 234

By: Shurden and Long (Lewis) of  
the Senate

and

Leist of the House

[ Corporation Commission - public utilities to offer  
payment plan prior to disconnection of residential  
customer service - codification -  
emergency ]

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 155.1 of Title 17, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Prior to the disconnection of any residential customer's utility  
service for nonpayment of services, public utilities, as defined in  
Section 151 of Title 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes, are hereby  
required to first offer the customer the following payment plan: the  
customer shall pay the current monthly charges as they become due  
plus twenty percent (20%) of any past due amount including any  
applicable late charges until all past due amounts are paid. If the  
customer fails to adhere to this payment plan, the utility company  
may proceed with disconnection of services provided all rules of  
notice and other requirements of the Corporation Commission are  
followed. Provided, however, utility companies may enter into  
additional subsequent payment plans at their discretion rather than  
disconnecting customer's service.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1995.

Passed the Senate the 6th day of March, 1995.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_, 1995.

Speaker of the House of  
Representatives