

ENROLLED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 2339

By: Smith (Hopper) of the House

and

Pruitt of the Senate

An Act relating to the Corporation Commission; amending 17 O.S. 1991, Section 1, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 48, O.S.L. 1998 (17 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1), which relates to fines for violations of Corporation Commission rules or orders; authorizing Commission to issue fines for unauthorized switching of electrical energy or natural gas service providers; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 17 O.S. 1991, Section 1, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 48, O.S.L. 1998 (17 O.S. Supp. 1999, Section 1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1. ~~Any~~ A. 1. Upon a determination by the Corporation Commission of violation of any of its rules, orders or other requirements, a corporation, person or firm may be fined by the Corporation Commission, a sum not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), as the Commission may deem proper, for the violation of any of its rules or requirements and each. Each day's continuance of such violation, after due service upon such corporation, person or firm, of the order or requirement of the Commission shall be a separate offense. ~~Should~~

2. If the operation of such order or requirement be is suspended, pending an appeal ~~therefrom~~, the period of such suspension shall not be computed against the corporation, person or firm, ~~in the matter of~~ with regard to its liability ~~to~~ for fines and penalties.

B. Any corporation, person or firm that switches the local or long distance telephone, electrical energy, or natural gas service provider of a customer without the consent of the customer may be fined by the ~~Corporation~~ Commission a sum not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per occurrence, as the Commission may deem proper after notice and opportunity for hearing.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2000.

Passed the House of Representatives the 27th day of April, 2000.

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Speaker of the House of  
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 17th day of April, 2000.

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President of the Senate