

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT  
TO  
2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 1903 By: Griffin of the Senate  
3 and  
4 Casey of the House  
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7 [ public utility service - delinquent utility bills -  
8 codification - emergency ]  
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11 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the stricken title, enacting clause and  
12 entire bill and insert  
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14 "An Act relating to public utility service;  
15 authorizing municipalities and Rural Water, Sewer,  
16 Gas and Solid Waste Districts to utilize database to  
17 confirm certain delinquent utility bills of certain  
18 new customers; authorizing municipalities to refuse  
19 utility service until delinquency is cured; stating  
20 exceptions; stating construction; and providing for  
21 codification.  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:  
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25 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
26 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 35-207 of Title 11, unless there  
27 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:  
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1       A. Municipalities and Rural Water, Sewer, Gas and Solid Waste  
2 Districts created pursuant to the Rural Water, Sewer, Gas and Solid  
3 Waste Management Districts Act are hereby authorized to utilize the  
4 services of any secure database, whether publicly or privately owned  
5 and operated, to enter information on a new customer who is  
6 requesting a new utility service from such municipality or other  
7 entity and to verify if that person is responsible for any  
8 delinquent utility bills for water, gas, sewer, solid waste or  
9 electric service in any other municipality or entity located in this  
10 state.

11       B. A municipality or other utility service entity shall, upon  
12 establishing that the delinquent amount is properly due and owed by  
13 that particular individual in that amount, may refuse to provide the  
14 requested utility services to that person or any other person  
15 residing at the same residence, until the person provides proof of  
16 curing the delinquency to the satisfaction of the municipality or  
17 utility service provider.

18       C. The provisions of this act shall apply only to persons  
19 seeking new utility service from a new provider and shall not affect  
20 any utility services, whether delinquent or not, of a customer  
21 currently being served by a municipality or other provider.  
22 Disputes relating to delinquent payments by current customers of a  
23 utility service provider shall be otherwise governed by law or  
24 ordinance or rule of the utility provider.



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

10 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
11 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 35-207 of Title 11, unless there  
12 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

13 A. Municipalities and Rural Water, Sewer, Gas and Solid Waste  
14 Districts created pursuant to the Rural Water, Sewer, Gas and Solid  
15 Waste Management Districts Act are hereby authorized to utilize the  
16 services of any secure database, whether publicly or privately owned  
17 and operated, to enter information on a new customer who is  
18 requesting a new utility service from such municipality or other  
19 entity and to verify if that person is responsible for any  
20 delinquent utility bills for water, gas, sewer, solid waste or  
21 electric service in any other municipality or entity located in this  
22 state.

23 B. A municipality or other utility service entity shall, upon  
24 establishing that the delinquent amount is properly due and owed by

1 that particular individual in that amount, may refuse to provide the  
2 requested utility services to that person or any other person  
3 residing at the same residence, until the person provides proof of  
4 curing the delinquency to the satisfaction of the municipality or  
5 utility service provider.

6 C. The provisions of this act shall apply only to persons  
7 seeking new utility service from a new provider and shall not affect  
8 any utility services, whether delinquent or not, of a customer  
9 currently being served by a municipality or other provider.

10 Disputes relating to delinquent payments by current customers of a  
11 utility service provider shall be otherwise governed by law or  
12 ordinance or rule of the utility provider.

13 D. Further, the provisions of this act shall not be construed  
14 to affect any current utility service or delinquent obligations for  
15 service owed by any customer or former customer of any public  
16 utility service provider under the jurisdiction and direct  
17 regulation of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission.

18 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
19 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
20 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
21 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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1 Passed the Senate the 12th day of March, 2014.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

5 Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
6 2014.

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9 Presiding Officer of the House  
10 of Representatives