

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1201

Approved by the Governor March 23, 1972

Introduced by David H. Stahmer, 8th District; Ernest Chambers, 11th District

AN ACT relating to public utilities companies; to require notice before service to a subscriber is discontinued; and to provide when service shall not be denied an applicant.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. No public or private utility company furnishing water, natural gas, or electricity at retail in this state shall discontinue service to any domestic subscriber for nonpayment of any due account unless the utility company shall first give written notice by mail to any subscriber whose service is proposed to be terminated at least seven days prior to termination. As to any subscriber who has previously been identified as a welfare recipient to the company by the county welfare department, such notice shall be by certified mail and notice of such proposed termination shall be given to the county welfare department.

Sec. 2. No applicant for the services of a public or private utility company furnishing water, natural gas, or electricity at retail in this state shall be denied service because of unpaid bills for similar service which are not collectible at law because of statutes of limitations or discharge in bankruptcy proceedings.