GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 1997

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AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT A FRANCHISED NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION COMPANY THAT IS NOT PROVIDING SERVICE TO AT LEAST SOME PORTION OF CAMDEN, CURRITUCK, DARE, OR TYRRELL COUNTIES BY JULY 1, 1998, SHALL LOSE ITS EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE RIGHTS TO THE COUNTY NOT BEING SERVED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 62-36A and the rules developed by the Utilities Commission pursuant to that section, a franchised natural gas local distribution company that the Commission determines is not providing adequate service to at least some portion of a county within its franchise territory by July 1, 1998, shall forfeit its exclusive franchise rights to that county.

Section 2. This act applies only to Camden, Currituck, Dare, and Tyrrell Counties.

Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 16th day of June, 1998.

s/ Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

s/ Harold J. Brubaker Speaker of the House of Representatives