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HOUSE BILL 432

Short Title: Water/Sewer to Contiguous Dwelling Units. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Shepard, Grange, Hurley, and Hardister (Primary Sponsors).
For a complete list of sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly web site.

Referred to: Energy and Public Utilities, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

March 25, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT PROVIDING THAT IF THE UTILITIES COMMISSION APPROVES A FLAT RATE FOR WATER OR SEWER SERVICES FOR CONTIGUOUS DWELLING UNITS, THE LESSOR OF THE UNITS MAY PASS THROUGH AND CHARGE THE TENANTS THAT SAME FLAT RATE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 62-110 reads as rewritten:

"§ 62-110. **Certificate of convenience and necessity.**

...

(g) In addition to the authority to issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity and establish rates otherwise granted in this Chapter, for the purpose of encouraging water conservation, the Commission may, consistent with the public interest, adopt procedures that allow a lessor to charge for the costs of providing water or sewer service to persons who occupy the leased premises. The following provisions shall apply:

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(1b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (1a) of this section, if the Commission approves a flat rate for water or sewer services for contiguous dwelling units rather than a rate based on metered consumption, the lessor may pass through and charge the tenants of the contiguous dwelling units the same flat rate for water or sewer services and an administrative fee as authorized in subdivision (2) of this subsection. Bills for water and sewer service sent by the lessor to the lessee shall contain all the information required by sub-sub-subdivisions e.2. through e.5. of subdivision (1a) of this section.

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SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

