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## A Bill

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HOUSE BILL 1814

By: Representative Gazaway

By: Senator B. Johnson

### For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL  
AUTHORITY OVER UTILITIES; TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF  
"PUBLIC UTILITY" UNDER TITLE 14, CHAPTER 200; AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING MUNICIPAL  
AUTHORITY OVER UTILITIES; AND TO REVISE  
THE DEFINITION OF "PUBLIC UTILITY" UNDER  
TITLE 14, CHAPTER 200.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-200-101(a), concerning the definition of  
"public utility", is amended to read as follows:

(a) As used in this section, "public utility" means any electric, gas,  
sewer, water, or telephone company or utility, and any company or utility  
providing similar services, except a company excluded from the definition of  
"public utility" under § 23-1-101(9)(B)(ii), a consolidated utility district  
under the General Consolidated Public Utility System Improvement District  
Law, § 14-217-101 et seq., and a water or light commission under ~~§ 14-201-101~~  
~~et seq~~ §§ 14-201-101 – 14-201-129.

/s/Gazaway

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