Hall of the House of Representatives

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Subtitle of House Bill 1820

TO REGULATE AUTOMATIC RENEWAL AND CONTINUOUS SERVICE OFFERS.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill 1820

Amend House Bill 1820 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 11 and 12, and substitute the following: "specified period;

(6)(A) "Municipal utility" means a utility owned or operated by a municipality that provides:

(i) Electricity; (ii) Water; (iii) Wastewater; (iv) Cable television; or (v) Broadband service. (B) "Municipal utility" includes without limitation a: (i) Consolidated waterworks system under the Consolidated Waterworks Authorization Act, § 25-20-301 et seq.; (ii) Utility managed or operated by a nonprofit corporation under § 14-199-701 et seq.; and (iii) Utility owned or operated by a municipality or by a consolidated utility district under the General Consolidated Public

Utility System Improvement District Law, § 14-217-101 et seq.;

(7) "Local government" means:

(A) A county;

(B) A city of the first class, a city of the second class, or an incorporated town; or

(C) Any other state entity or political subdivision of the state or an agency, board, or commission of the state entity or political

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subdivision of the state; and

(8) "Offer terms" means the following clear and conspicuous"

AND

Page 5, line 8, delete "subdivision (c)(2)" and substitute "subdivision
(c)(1)(B)"

AND

Page 8, delete line 29, and substitute the following: "(D) Subsection (i) of this section shall be fulfilled annually. (k) This section does not apply to: (1) A person subject to the jurisdiction of the: (A) Bank Commissioner under the Arkansas Banking Code of 1997, chapters 45-50 of Title 23; (B) Securities Commissioner under the Arkansas Securities Act, § 23-42-101 et seq.; (C) Insurance Commissioner under the Arkansas Insurance Code; (D) The Arkansas Public Service Commission under § 23-3-101 et seq.; or (E) The Federal Communications Commission excluding those persons providing satellite digital radio services; (2) A municipal utility; or (3) A service provider or its affiliate or subsidiary if the service provider or its affiliate or subsidiary is doing business under a franchise issued by the state or a local government. (1)(1) A violation of this section shall constitute an unfair or deceptive act or practice as defined by the Deceptive Trade Practices Act, § 4-88-101 et seq. (2) All remedies, penalties, and authority granted to the Attorney General under the Deceptive Trade Practices Act, § 4-88-101 et seq.,

shall be available to the Attorney General for the enforcement of this section."

The Amendment was read By: Representative M. Brown ANS/ANS - 03-31-2025 03:59:52 ANS464

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