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SENATE BILL 1433

Short Title: Duplin County Natural Gas.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Murphy.

Referred to: Public Utilities.

May 30, 1990

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT GIVING DUPLIN COUNTY THE SAME
2 AUTHORITY THAT CITIES HAVE CONCERNING OPERATION OF A GAS
3 PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 153A-274 reads as rewritten:

6 "**§ 153A-274. Public enterprise defined.**

7 As used in this Article, 'public enterprise' includes:

- 8 (1) Water supply and distribution ~~systems,~~systems.
- 9 (2) Sewage collection and disposal systems of all types, including septic
10 tank systems or other on-site collection or disposal facilities or
11 ~~systems,~~systems.
- 12 (3) Solid waste collection and disposal systems and ~~facilities,~~facilities.
- 13 (4) ~~Airports,~~Airports.
- 14 (5) Off-street parking ~~facilities,~~facilities.
- 15 (6) Public transportation ~~systems,~~systems.
- 16 (7) Structural and natural stormwater and drainage systems of all types.
- 17 (8) Gas production, storage, transmission, and distribution systems,
18 including activities related to exploring for natural gas, whether inside
19 or outside the State, and the purchase or lease of natural gas fields,
20 natural gas reserves, and natural gas supplies."

21 Sec. 2. G.S. 153A-275 reads as rewritten:

22 "**§ 153A-275. Authority to operate public enterprises.**

1 A county may acquire, lease as lessor or lessee, construct, establish, enlarge,
2 improve, extend, maintain, own, operate, and contract for the operation of public
3 enterprises in order to furnish services to the county and its citizens. A county may
4 acquire, construct, establish, enlarge, improve, maintain, own, and operate outside its
5 borders any public enterprise.

6 A county may by ordinance or resolution adopt adequate and reasonable rules and
7 regulations to protect and regulate a public enterprise belonging to or operated by it.

8 A county may operate the part of a gas system that involves activities related to
9 exploring for natural gas or the purchase or lease of natural gas fields, natural gas
10 reserves, or natural gas supplies in a partnership or a joint venture with a natural gas
11 utility or a private enterprise."

12 Sec. 3. This act applies to Duplin County only.

13 Sec. 4. This act is effective upon ratification.