

## Session 122 - (2017-2018)

### H 5253 General Bill, By Bowers

**Summary:** South Carolina Small Town Competitive Power Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA SMALL TOWN COMPETITIVE POWER ACT" BY ADDING SECTION 58-27-412 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A MUNICIPALITY WITH A POPULATION OF LESS THAN FIVE THOUSAND RESIDENTS ACCORDING TO THE MOST RECENT DECENNIAL UNITED STATES CENSUS MAY TERMINATE, BY MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION, AN EXISTING EXCLUSIVE MUNICIPAL FRANCHISE WITH A RETAIL ELECTRIC PROVIDER TO FURNISH ELECTRICAL SERVICE WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE MUNICIPALITY AND AWARD OR GRANT THE MUNICIPALITY'S EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE TO ANOTHER RETAIL ELECTRIC PROVIDER WHOSE SERVICE AREA IS ADJACENT TO THE MUNICIPALITY'S CORPORATE BOUNDARY; AND TO AMEND SECTION 58-27-410, RELATING TO THE PROCEDURE FOR GRANTING EXCLUSIVE MUNICIPAL FRANCHISES TO FURNISH ELECTRICAL SERVICE, SO AS TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FOR MUNICIPALITIES THAT ELECT TO TERMINATE A RETAIL ELECTRIC PROVIDER'S EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.

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