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SENATE BILL 545*
PROPOSED HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE S545-PCS35348-RN-36

Short Title: Master Meters/Landlord-Tenant Agreement.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 1, 2013

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF A MASTER METER FOR ELECTRIC AND
3 NATURAL GAS SERVICE WHEN THE TENANT AND LANDLORD HAVE AGREED
4 IN THE LEASE THAT THE COST OF THE SERVICES SHALL BE INCLUDED IN
5 THE RENTAL PAYMENTS AND THE SERVICE SHALL BE IN THE LANDLORD'S
6 NAME.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 143-151.42(b) reads as rewritten:

9 "(b) The provisions of this section requiring that service and meters for each individual
10 dwelling unit be in the name of the tenant or other occupant of the apartment or other dwelling
11 unit shall not apply in either of the following ~~eases-circumstances~~:

12 (1) ~~where the~~ The Utilities Commission has approved an application under
13 G.S. 62-110(h).

14 (2) The tenant and landlord have agreed in the lease that the cost of the electric
15 service or natural gas service or both shall be included in the rental payments
16 and the service shall be in the name of the landlord."

17 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to leases
18 entered into, amended, or renewed, including leases that renew by inaction, on or after the
19 effective date.



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