

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 1999

SESSION LAW 1999-344  
SENATE BILL 785

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE INSPECTION AND  
REGULATION OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GASES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 119-58 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 119-58. Unlawful acts.**

(a) It shall be an unlawful act for any person to:

- (1) Sell any liquefied petroleum gas burning appliance designed or built for domestic use ~~which~~that has not been approved by the American Gas Association, Inc., the Underwriters Laboratory, Inc., or other laboratory approved by the ~~Commissioner of Agriculture;~~ Building Code Council.
- (2) ~~Install any unvented space heating appliance in a manufactured home as defined in G.S. 143-145(7);~~
- (3) ~~Install any unvented space heating appliance in a sleeping room that has an input of over 30 BTU per cubic feet of enclosure;~~
- (4) Fill a consumer tank or container in excess of 85 percent (85%) of its water capacity, or to fill a tank or container on the premises of a consumer that is not equipped with a fill tube or gauge; provided, ~~said~~ the tank or container may be filled by weight if the tank or container is weighed before and after ~~filling;~~ filling.
- (5) Disconnect an appliance from a gas supply line without capping or plugging ~~said~~the line before leaving the ~~premises;~~ premises.
- (6) Turn on the gas after reestablishing an interrupted service without first having checked and closed all gas ~~outlets;~~ outlets.
- (7) Violate any provisions of this Article or any rules ~~and regulations promulgated thereunder.~~ adopted pursuant to this Article.

(b) Every supply tank or container with its regulating equipment connected in a service system, shall be identified while in service by the supplier with an attached tag, ~~label~~label, or other marking that includes the name of the person supplying liquefied petroleum gas to ~~said~~the system, and it shall be unlawful for any person, other than ~~said~~ the supplier or the owner of the system, to disconnect, interrupt or fill ~~said~~the system with liquefied petroleum gas without the consent of ~~said~~the supplier. ~~Provided, if~~ If another registered supplier is requested by the consumer to connect ~~his~~his service and is given permission by the consumer to do so, the new supplier shall notify the former

supplier before disconnecting the former service and connecting the new service and shall cap or plug all disconnected equipment outlets and leave ~~said~~the equipment in a condition consistent with this Article and the rules ~~and regulations promulgated thereunder.~~ adopted pursuant to this Article."

Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to liquefied petroleum gas burning appliances installed on and after that date.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 14th day of July, 1999.

s/ Dennis A. Wicker  
President of the Senate

s/ James B. Black  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ James B. Hunt, Jr.  
Governor

Approved 8:45 p.m. this 22nd day of July, 1999