GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2013

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SENATE BILL 545* House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/3/13

Short Title: Master Meters/Landlord-Tenant Agreement. (Public) Sponsors: Referred to: April 1, 2013 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF A MASTER METER FOR ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS SERVICE WHEN THE TENANT AND LANDLORD HAVE AGREED IN THE LEASE THAT THE COST OF THE SERVICES SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE RENTAL PAYMENTS AND THE SERVICE SHALL BE IN THE LANDLORD'S NAME. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: **SECTION 1.** G.S. 143-151.42(b) reads as rewritten: The provisions of this section requiring that service and meters for each individual "(b)dwelling unit be in the name of the tenant or other occupant of the apartment or other dwelling unit shall not apply in either of the following eases-circumstances: where the The Utilities Commission has approved an application under (1) G.S. 62-110(h).G.S. 62-110(h). The tenant and landlord have agreed in the lease that the cost of the electric (2) service or natural gas service or both shall be included in the rental payments and the service shall be in the name of the landlord." **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to leases entered into, amended, or renewed, including leases that renew by inaction, on or after the

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