

Amendment No. 1 to SB0131

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Signature of Sponsor**

AMEND Senate Bill No. 131

House Bill No. 193*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, is amended by adding Sections 2 and 3 as a new, appropriately designated part:

SECTION 2. As used in this part, the term “utility” means any person, municipality, county, metropolitan government, cooperative, board, commission, district, or any entity created or authorized by public act, private act, or general law to provide electricity for sale to consumers in any particular service area.

SECTION 3. A utility or authorized employee of a utility shall be absolutely immune from liability for acts and omissions of such authorized employee within the scope of the employee’s duties involving the operation of a main circuit breaker, disconnect switch or any other on/off electrical switch during the installation or removal of the utility’s electric meter at a person’s residence so long as the employee has complied with the regulations established by the utility concerning such operation; provided, that such immunity shall not apply if the acts or omissions of the employee were grossly negligent, willful, malicious, or criminal.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.