

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
84th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2003  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of House Bill No. 1114**

"AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER 19 OF TITLE 23 AND TO REFORM ELECTRIC UTILITY  
REGULATION."

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**Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1114.**

Amend House Bill No. 1114 as engrossed, H1/30/03:

Add the following as cosponsors of the bill:

Glover, Faris, Smith, Altes, Argue, Baker, Bookout, Broadway, Brown, Bryles, Capps, Critcher, Gullett, Hendren, Higginbothom, Holt, Horn, G. Jeffress, J. Jeffress, Laverty, Madison, Malone, Miller, Salmon, Steele, Trusty, Whitaker, Wilkins, Wilkinson, Womack, Wooldridge

AND

Add an additional section at the end of the bill to read as follows:

"SECTION 19. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the Eighty-fourth General Assembly that certain provisions of the Electric Consumer Choice Act of 1999, as amended by Act 324 of 2001, for the implementation of retail electric competition may take effect prior to ninety-one (91) days after the adjournment of this session; that this act is intended to prevent such implementation; and that unless this emergency clause is adopted, this act may not go into effect until further steps have been taken toward retail electric competition, which the General Assembly has found not to be in the public interest. The General Assembly further finds that uncertainty surrounding the implementation of the Electric Consumer Choice Act during the ninety (90) days following the adjournment of this session and uncertainty regarding the recovery of reasonable generation costs, could discourage electric utilities from acquiring additional generation resources; that retail electric customers will require such resources; and that this act, in Section 11 and elsewhere, provides procedures to facilitate the acquisition of these resources. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or



(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_

By: Senator B. Johnson  
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Secretary