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SENATE BILL 272

For An Act To Be Entitled
AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PUBLIC UTILITY";
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle
TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "PUBLIC UTILITY".

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1.  Arkansas Code § 23-1-101(9), concerning the definition of "public utility" under the public utilities and carriers laws of Arkansas, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as follows:

(I)  The term "public utility", as to any public utility defined in subdivision (9)(A)(i) of this section, does not include a person or corporation that:

(i)  Purchases electricity from an electric public utility or a municipal electric utility;

(ii) Furnishes electricity exclusively to charge battery electric vehicles and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles to or for the public for compensation; and

(iii) Is not otherwise a public utility;

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