

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Finance to which was referred House Bill No. 753  
3 entitled “An act relating to utility service disconnections and ratepayer  
4 protections” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and  
5 recommends that the Senate propose to the House that the bill be amended by  
6 striking out Sec. 3, utility service disconnections; rulemaking, in its entirety  
7 and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 3 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 3. UTILITY SERVICE DISCONNECTIONS; RULEMAKING

9 **(a)** On or before January 1, 2028, or upon the initiation of any rulemaking  
10 pertaining to Public Utility Commission, Disconnection of Residential Gas,  
11 Electric, and Water Service (CVR 30-000-3300), Rule 3.300, whichever occurs  
12 first, the Public Utility Commission shall adopt rules that:

13 (1) curtail electric utility service disconnections during periods of  
14 extreme heat, as defined by the Commission, which may include a lower  
15 temperature threshold for households comprising persons who are 62 years of  
16 age or older, **eight years of age or younger, or pregnant; and**

17 (2) clarify that, in Rule 3.301(G), a licensed physician assistant or a  
18 nurse practitioner may issue a physician’s certificate.

19 ~~(3) require due consideration of medical judgment regarding the~~  
20 ~~duration of a health hazard indicated in a physician’s certificate when~~  
21 ~~establishing the disconnection protection period for a health hazard.~~

1           **(b) As part of the rulemaking required under subsection (a) of this**  
2           **section, the Commission shall consider whether medical judgment should**  
3           **be incorporated into determining the duration of a disconnection**  
4           **protection period for a health hazard.**

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Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
FOR THE COMMITTEE