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3	AMENDMENT TO HB446
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8	On page 1, delete lines 19 through 24 in their
9	entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:
10	Relating to energy services; to provide that no
11	governmental entity may prohibit a person or entity from using
12	utility services from a provider that is capable of providing
13	service and is otherwise authorized to do business in this
14	state.
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16	On page 1, line 26, delete "(a)"
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18	Beginning on page 2, line 8 and continuing through
19	page 3, line 11, delete the language in its entirety and
20	insert in lieu thereof the following:
21	(2) UTILITY SERVICE. Electrical, natural gas, or
22	propane gas service provided to an end user.
23	Section 2. Except as otherwise provided in this act,
24	no governmental entity may adopt an ordinance, resolution,
25	regulation, or policy that prohibits, or has the effect of
26	restricting, a person's or entity's ability to use a utility

service of a provider that is authorized to do business in 1 2 this state. Section 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed as 3 affecting a governmental entity's authority to do the 4 5 following: (1) Exercise existing police powers to review and 6 7 approve an application before issuing building permits or to otherwise enforce building, fire, and other public safety 8 codes. Provided, however, no governmental entity may deny a 9 10 building permit application based solely on the type of utility service proposed for the project. 11 (2) License or permit a provider of a utility 12 13 service, or regulate the use of rights-of-way by a provider of a utility service, in accordance with existing law. Provided, 14 15 however, no governmental entity may deny a license or permit based solely on the type of utility service provided by the 16 17 provider. 18 (3) Regulate the permitting, safe handling, storage, 19 or use of propane gas. 20 21 On page 3, line 12, delete "(e)" and insert in lieu 22 thereof the following: Section 4. 23 24 On page 3, line 19, delete "Section 2." and insert 25 26 in lieu thereof the following:

Section 5.

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