

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 26\*

Short Title: Amend LP Gas Code.

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Sponsors: Representatives Thompson, Beall, Cunningham, Preston, and Rayfield.

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Referred to: Commerce Subcommittee on Public Utilities.

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February 4, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO MAKE CONFORMING CHANGES TO THE LP GAS STATUTE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 119-58 reads as rewritten:

"§ 119-58. Unlawful acts.

(a) It shall be an unlawful act for any person to:

- (1) Sell any liquified petroleum gas burning appliance designed or built for domestic use which has not been approved by the American Gas Association, Inc., the Underwriters Laboratory, Inc., or other laboratory approved by the ~~Commissioner of Agriculture~~ North Carolina Building Code Council. This subdivision shall not apply to appliances regulated under the North Carolina Building Code;
- (2) ~~Install any unvented space heating appliance in a manufactured home as defined in G.S. 143-145(7)~~
- (3) ~~Install any unvented space heating appliance in a sleeping room that has an input of over 30 BTU per cubic feet of enclosure;~~
- (4) Fill a consumer tank or container in excess of 85 percent (85%) of its water capacity, or to fill a tank or container on the premises of a consumer that is not equipped with a fill tube or gauge; provided, ~~said~~

1           the tank or container may be filled by weight if the tank or container is  
2 weighed before and after filling;

3           (5) Disconnect an appliance from a gas supply line without capping or  
4 plugging ~~said the~~ line before leaving the premises;

5           (6) Turn on the gas after reestablishing an interrupted service without first  
6 having checked and closed all gas outlets;

7           (7) Violate any provisions of this Article or any rules and regulations  
8 promulgated thereunder.

9           (b) Every supply tank or container with its regulating equipment connected in a  
10 service system, shall be identified while in service by the supplier with an attached tag,  
11 label or other marking that includes the name of the person supplying liquefied petroleum  
12 gas to ~~said the~~ system, and it shall be unlawful for any person, other than ~~said the~~ supplier  
13 or the owner of the system, to disconnect, interrupt or fill ~~said the~~ system with liquefied  
14 petroleum gas without the consent of ~~said the~~ supplier. Provided, if another registered  
15 supplier is requested by the consumer to connect his service and is given permission by  
16 the consumer to do so, the new supplier shall notify the former supplier before  
17 disconnecting the former service and connecting the new service and shall cap or plug all  
18 disconnected equipment outlets and leave ~~said the~~ equipment in a condition consistent  
19 with this Article and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder."

20           Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to appliances  
21 installed on and after that date.