



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5504**

LCO No. 1521

Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Introduced by:

REP. O'BRIEN T., 24th Dist.

**AN ACT PROHIBITING UTILITY COMPANIES FROM DISCONTINUING SERVICE TO HOUSEHOLDS WITH SENIORS OR CHILDREN.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 16-262c of the general statutes be amended to prohibit
- 2 any electric, electric distribution or gas company, electric supplier or
- 3 municipal utility furnishing electricity or gas from terminating service
- 4 to a residential customer who lacks the financial resources to pay his or
- 5 her entire account and whose household includes a person sixty-five
- 6 years of age or older or under eighteen years of age.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To prohibit utilities from terminating service to customers who lack the financial resources to pay their entire account and whose household includes a person sixty-five years of age or older or under eighteen years of age.