Amendment No. 8 to HB1914

<u>Parkinson</u> Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 1894

House Bill No. 1914*

by inserting the following new section immediately preceding the last section and renumbering the subsequent section accordingly:

SECTION ____. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 34, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

As used in this section, "smart meter gateway device" means any electric or natural gas utility meter, utility meter component, utility meter load control device, or any device ancillary to the utility meter that is located at a customer's residence or business and that serves as a communication gateway or portal to electrical or natural gas powered appliances, equipment, or devices within the customer's residence or business, or that otherwise communicates with, monitors, measures, records, reports, stores, restricts, or regulates such electrical or natural gas powered appliances, equipment, or devices.

No utility shall charge its customers whose utility services are provided through the use of a smart meter gateway device and whose utility services have been disconnected due to nonpayment a fee or any combination of fees to reconnect utility services.