

Public Law 100-474  
100th Congress

An Act

Oct. 6, 1988  
[H.R. 2884]

To assure uniformity in the exercise of regulatory jurisdiction pertaining to the transportation of natural gas and to clarify that the local transportation of natural gas by a distribution company is a matter within State jurisdiction and subject to regulation by State commissions, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

Uniform  
Regulatory  
Jurisdiction Act  
of 1988.  
15 USC 717w  
note.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Uniform Regulatory Jurisdiction Act of 1988".

SEC. 2. JURISDICTION OVER TRANSPORTATION OF NATURAL GAS.

Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717f) is amended—

(a) by redesignating section "7(f)" as section "7(f)(1)";

(b) by striking the period at the end thereof and inserting  
"; and"; and

(c) by adding a new section 7(f)(2) to read as follows:

"(2) If the Commission has determined a service area pursuant to this subsection, transportation to ultimate consumers in such service area by the holder of such service area determination, even if across State lines, shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the State commission in the State in which the gas is consumed. This section shall not apply to the transportation of natural gas to another natural gas company."

15 USC 717f  
note.

SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The provisions of this Act shall become effective one hundred and twenty days after the date of enactment.

Approved October 6, 1988.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.R. 2884:

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SENATE REPORTS: No. 100-486 (Comm. on Energy and Natural Resources).

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June 13, considered and passed House.

Sept. 20, considered and passed Senate, amended.

Sept. 23, House concurred in Senate amendment.