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NASUCA Passes Resolutions: Advancing Equity and Affordability in Utility Regulation and Supporting Federal Telecommunication Equity and Diversity

Silver Spring, MD – At its 2022 Annual Meeting, the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates (NASUCA) membership approved two new policy resolutions. The resolutions offer suggestions for supportive measures aimed at increasing equity and affordability in utility regulation and promote digital equity and diversity in telecommunication services.

2022-02 Advancing Equity and Affordability in Utility Regulation.¹ NASUCA resolves and provides supporting suggestions that:

“..encourages state advocates, regulators, and other policymakers to study and implement practices to potentially reduce the incidence of, and minimize negative impacts from, utility services payment delinquencies, disconnections, late fees, reconnection fees, and similar measures that further burden customers struggling with affordability and to consider addressing energy equity and affordability through appropriate actions.”

2022-03 Federal Telecommunications Equity and Diversity.² NASUCA resolves and urges the Federal Communications Commission and other governmental agencies, based on recent federal statutory definitions, to:

“..move aggressively to ensure that consumers reap immediate and long-term benefits from the provisions of federal law that promote digital equity, digital inclusion, digital literacy and adoption of broadband internet access services.”

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¹ Available at [www.NASUCA.org](https://www.nasuca.org) - <https://www.nasuca.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/2022-02-Advancing-Equity-and-Affordability-in-Utility-Regulation-Resolution.pdf>

² Available at [www.NASUCA.org](https://www.nasuca.org) - <https://www.nasuca.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/2022-03-Federal-Telecommunications-Equity-and-Diversity-Resolution.pdf>