

1 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38

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3 (COMPANION TO LSB 2636SS BY BLACK)

4 A Concurrent Resolution requesting the Legislative
5 Council to establish an interim study committee
6 to review the "one-call" statewide underground
7 facility notification system.

8 WHEREAS, chapter 480 establishes a "one-call"
9 statewide notification system designed to provide
10 notification of excavations for the purpose of
11 protecting underground facilities as well as
12 protecting individuals who could be harmed by
13 disruption of the underground facilities; and

14 WHEREAS, the "one-call" notification system is
15 dependent upon the participation in the system of
16 every person owning or operating an underground
17 facility in order to finance the system and protect
18 persons and property; and

19 WHEREAS, many of the goals of the "one-call"
20 notification system have not been achieved, resulting
21 in the introduction of a number of legislative
22 proposals because of alleged inefficiencies and the
23 failure to meet the expectations of the law as
24 enacted; and

25 WHEREAS, the "one-call" notification system may
26 place an unfair financial burden upon current
27 participants in the system while failing to achieve
28 the expected goals of protection of people and
29 property with a minimum of administrative complexity;
30 NOW THEREFORE,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE
2 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Legislative Council is
3 requested to establish an interim study committee
4 consisting of members of both houses of the General
5 Assembly, as well as citizen members or advisory
6 groups representing "one-call" members or persons
7 knowledgeable or having expertise regarding the "one-
8 call" system; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall
10 review current law, notification center procedures,
11 the impact of the notification system upon "one-call"
12 participants, and the intent of the law, for the
13 purpose of developing recommendations relating to the
14 "one-call" system; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That available private
16 funds may be used for the employment of consultants or
17 experts and for the payment of other costs associated
18 with the study as determined by the committee with the
19 approval of the Legislative Council and based on
20 recommendations of appropriate advisory groups, and
21 for which state funding is not otherwise available;
22 and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall
24 prepare a written report including any recommendations
25 of the committee and including any recommended bill
26 drafts designed to implement such recommendations, and
27 deliver the report to the General Assembly by no later
28 than January 8, 1996.

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