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HOUSE FILE 2271

BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE,
REGULATION AND LABOR

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 544)

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act regarding public utility rights-of-way and providing an
 2 effective date.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 306.46 PUBLIC UTILITY FACILITIES 2 -- PUBLIC ROAD RIGHTS-OF-WAY.
- A public utility may construct, operate, repair, or
- 4 maintain its utility facilities within a public road right-of-
- 5 way. The location of new utility facilities shall comply with
- 6 section 319.5. A utility facility shall not be constructed or
- 7 installed in a manner that causes interference with public use
- 8 of the road.
- 9 2. For purposes of this section, "public utility" means a
- 10 public utility as defined in section 476.1, and shall also
- 11 include waterworks, municipally owned waterworks, joint water
- 12 utilities, rural water districts incorporated under chapter
- 13 357A or 504A, and cooperative water associations. For the
- 14 purposes of this section, "utility facilities" means any
- 15 cables, conduits, wire, pipe, casing pipe, supporting poles,
- 16 guys, and other material and equipment utilized for the
- 17 furnishing of electric, gas, communications, water, or sewer
- 18 service.
- 19 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act, being deemed of
- 20 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.
- 21 EXPLANATION
- 22 This bill permits public utilities to construct and
- 23 maintain utility facilities such as cable, pipes, and poles,
- 24 within public road rights-of-way. The location of new utility
- 25 facilities must be approved pursuant to Code section 319.5 and
- 26 cannot cause interference with use of the road by the public.
- 27 The term "public utility" is broadened to include waterworks,
- 28 joint water utilities, rural water districts, and cooperative
- 29 water associations.
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