

House Study Bill 554 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE
ON COMMERCE BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON COWNIE)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to public utilities and sanitary sewage or
2 storm water drainage disposal system providers.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 476.1, subsection 3, Code 2016, is
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. Furnishing sanitary sewage or storm water
4 drainage disposal by piped collection system to the public for
5 compensation.

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EXPLANATION

7 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
8 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

9 This bill modifies the definition of a public utility for
10 purposes of the regulatory authority of the Iowa utilities
11 board.

12 Currently, a "public utility" is defined in Code chapter 476
13 to include any person, partnership, business association, or
14 domestic or foreign corporation owning or operating facilities
15 for the furnishing of specified services to the public for
16 compensation. The services include furnishing gas by piped
17 distribution system, electricity, communications services, and
18 water by piped distribution system. The bill adds to this
19 list the furnishing of sanitary sewage or storm water drainage
20 disposal by piped collection system.