

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
Vote:	7 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Bonamici, Galizio, Gilliam, Girod, Nelson, Riley, Holvey
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	3/12, 3/26

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Provides that a water utility mail notice of delinquency to property owners only if the utility asserts that the property owners are responsible for the bill.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Inability of new tenant at a given residence to get water services because delinquency is mailed to a landlord even if landlord is not responsible for delinquency.
- The responsibility of the person responsible for the delinquency to pay overdue bills as opposed to landlord or subsequent tenants.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendments

BACKGROUND: Under current law water utilities mail notice to property owner even if property owner is not responsible for the bill.

House Bill 2792 applies to water utilities operated by public utilities, municipalities, cooperatives and unincorporated associations who assert that the property owners are responsible for the bill.