

**HB 2613 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**House Committee On Economic Recovery and Prosperity**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Requires a locality or state agency planning a specified excavation project within a public right of way to notify certain telecommunications providers if the project meets specified qualifications. Requires localities and the State Chief Information Officer to establish a trench notification policy and specifies the requirements of each policy. Expands a person's right to construct a service line to include those lines along a state highway on federal land. Prohibits localities from requiring telecommunications providers to submit certain prepared plans for construction of broadband infrastructure that is 1,000 feet or less in length.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Under current law, utility service providers have a right and privilege to construct, maintain, and operate service lines along public roads in the state, except within cities, without charge, and over lands of private individuals, subject to the applicable governing body's designation of the line's location.

House Bill 2613 expands the eligible location for the exercise of the right to include state highways on federal land.