

UTILITY PERMITTING AMENDMENTS

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Stephen G. Handy

Senate Sponsor: David P. Hinkins

LONG TITLE

Committee Note:

The Public Utilities, Energy, and Technology Interim Committee recommended this bill.

Legislative Vote: 12 voting for 4 voting against 0 absent

General Description:

This bill prohibits municipalities and counties from making certain restrictions on utility services.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ prohibits municipalities and counties from restricting the connection of utility services to customers on the basis of the type of energy the utility service provides.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

This bill provides a special effective date.

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

10-9a-530, Utah Code Annotated 1953

17-27a-526, Utah Code Annotated 1953



28 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

29 Section 1. Section **10-9a-530** is enacted to read:

30 **10-9a-530. Utility service connections.**

31 A municipality may not enact an ordinance, a resolution, or a policy that prohibits, or
32 has the effect of prohibiting, the connection or reconnection of a utility service to a customer
33 based upon the type or source of energy to be delivered to the customer.

34 Section 2. Section **17-27a-526** is enacted to read:

35 **17-27a-526. Utility service connections.**

36 A county may not enact an ordinance, a resolution, or a policy that prohibits, or has the
37 effect of prohibiting, the connection or reconnection of a utility service to a customer based
38 upon the type or source of energy to be delivered to the customer.

39 Section 3. **Effective date.**

40 If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect
41 upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah
42 Constitution, Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto,
43 the date of veto override.