

2024 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 490

BY SENATOR CATHEY

UTILITIES. Provides for distribution to governing authorities regarding certain excavations or demolitions of certain underground utilities. (8/1/24)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1749.21(B), relative to permits for excavation or demolition;

3 to provide for information from regional notification centers to be distributed; and

4 to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:1749.21(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §1749.21. Miscellaneous provisions

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9 B. Nothing in this Part shall affect any permitting process granted to a parish,

10 municipal, local, or state governing authority. If a permit is issued in conjunction

11 with excavation or demolition subject to the provisions of this Part, upon issuing the

12 permit, the governing authority is encouraged to distribute to the permittee

13 information regarding compliance with the provisions of this Part. The regional

14 notification centers shall ~~provide~~ **furnish** the information to the governing authority

15 for distribution. The failure of the governing authority to ~~distribute~~ **furnish** the

16 information shall not for that reason alone create any liability on the part of the

17 governing authority or permittee nor otherwise reduce or limit the duties and

1 responsibilities of excavators or demolishers under this Part.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Thomas L. Tyler.

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Present law requires that regional notification centers provide certain information to a governing authority relative to certain excavation or demolition of underground utilities and facilities.

Proposed law requires that notification center furnish this information to governing authorities.

Present law provides that failure of the governing authority to distribute the information shall not for that reason alone create any liability on the part of the governing authority or permittee nor otherwise reduce or limit the duties and responsibilities of excavators or demolishers.

Proposed law provides that failure to furnish this information does not for that reason alone create any liability on the part of the governing authority or permittee nor otherwise reduce or limit the duties and responsibilities of excavators or demolishers.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Amend R.S. 40:1749.21(B))