

# One Hundred Sixth Legislature - Second Session - 2020

## Introducer's Statement of Intent

### LB933

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**Chairperson: Senator Dan Hughes**

**Committee: Natural Resources**

**Date of Hearing: February 13, 2020**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB933 makes several changes to statutes guiding utility disconnections.

LB 933 requires that a disconnection be postponed or prevented upon presentation of a medical note from a doctor, APRN, or physician's assistant. It extends the grace period from thirty to sixty days and specifies that customers have five business days to provide the medical note.

Utility companies are required to publish certain information about disconnections on their websites and by mail upon request, and are prevented from charging disconnect or reconnect fees that exceed the reasonable cost of providing the service.

The changes contained in LB 933 apply to public or private utility companies other than municipal utilities owned and operated by a village.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Sue Crawford