

**One Hundred Seventh Legislature - First Session - 2021**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB619**

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**Chairperson: Senator Curt Friesen**

**Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications**

**Date of Hearing: February 01, 2021**

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

LB 619 would exempt fine grading from the definition of excavation. Additionally, the bill would set minimum burial depths for utilities as outlined below:

- Thirty-six inches for electric energy underground facilities;
- Twenty-four inches for oil, gas, or hazardous liquids underground facilities;
- Eighteen inches for electronic communications, telephonic communications, telegraphic communications, cable television underground facilities and fiber optic cables.

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

**Senator Rita Sanders**