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## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 405

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DIGEST OF SB 405 (Updated February 19, 2014 2:53 pm - DI 103)

**Citations Affected:** IC 8-1; noncode.

**Synopsis:** Underground utility facilities. Amends the statute concerning the location and protection of underground utility facilities (facilities) during excavation or demolition activities to require, with respect to an excavation or demolition in an unincorporated area, the excavator to submit a separate locate request and notice of the excavation or demolition (notice) to the Indiana Underground Plant Protection Service (association) for at least every 2,640 linear feet (versus every 2,500 linear feet under current law) of proposed excavation or demolition. Provides that a notice expires 20 days after the date the notice is submitted to the association. Provides that if, at the conclusion of the 20 day period, any part of the excavation or demolition is not complete at any part of the site for which the original notice was submitted, the excavator may not continue or resume the excavation or demolition until: (1) the excavator submits to the association a new locate request and notice for that part of the site for which the excavation or demolition is not complete; and (2) each affected utility operator (operator) provides facility locate markings for

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**Effective:** July 1, 2014.

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### Yoder, Crider, Broden

(HOUSE SPONSORS — VANNATTER, KOCH, OBER)

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January 14, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Utilities.  
January 24, 2014, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.  
February 3, 2014, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.  
February 4, 2014, engrossed. Read third time, passed. Yeas 48, nays 0.

HOUSE ACTION

February 10, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Utilities and Energy.  
February 20, 2014, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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that part of the site for which the new locate request and notice are submitted. Provides that if an operator receiving notice of a proposed excavation determines that the operator is unable to: (1) locate and mark the operator's affected facilities not later than the expiration of the statute's mandated two-day period for doing so; or (2) mark the approximate location of the operator's affected facilities; the operator shall notify the excavator and provide additional information and, if requested, onsite assistance to the excavator. Provides that mechanized equipment may not be used to perform an excavation within two feet of either side of the outer limits of a facility unless the excavator meets certain conditions. Provides that mechanized equipment may be used for the initial penetration and removal of pavement or other manmade hard surfaces if certain conditions are met. Urges the legislative council to assign to a study committee during the 2014 legislative interim the topics of underground facilities generally and the technology used to determine the elevation or depth, or both, of facilities subject to the statute. Provides that if a committee is assigned this topic for study, the committee shall not later than November 1, 2014, report its findings and recommendations to the legislative council and the governor. Makes technical changes.

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February 21, 2014

Second Regular Session 118th General Assembly (2014)

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2013 Regular Session and 2013 First Regular Technical Session of the General Assembly.

## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 405

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning utilities.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 8-1-26-3.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2014]: **Sec. 3.5. As used in this chapter, "communications  
4 service" has the meaning set forth in IC 8-1-32.5-3.**  
5 SECTION 2. IC 8-1-26-9 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
6 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 9. As used in this chapter,  
7 "mechanized equipment" means equipment operated by means of  
8 mechanical power, including:  
9 (1) trenchers;  
10 (2) bulldozers;  
11 (3) power shovels;  
12 (4) augers;  
13 (5) backhoes;  
14 (6) scrapers;  
15 (7) drills;  
16 (8) cable and pipe plows;

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1           **(9) hydroexcavators; hydraulic excavators; and**  
 2           **(10) other equipment that may cause damage to underground**  
 3           **facilities.**

4           SECTION 3. IC 8-1-26-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.62-2009,  
 5           SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 6           JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 16. (a) Except as provided in section 19 of this  
 7           chapter, before commencing an excavation or demolition operation  
 8           described in section 14 of this chapter, each person responsible for the  
 9           excavation or demolition shall:

10           (1) serve notice on the association of the person's intent to  
 11           excavate or demolish; and

12           (2) perform white lining at the site of the excavation or demolition  
 13           if the person responsible for the excavation or demolition is  
 14           unable to provide to the association the physical location of the  
 15           proposed excavation or demolition by one (1) of the following  
 16           means:

17                   (A) A street address.

18                   (B) A legal description of the location.

19                   (C) A highway location using highway mile markers or cross  
 20                   streets.

21           The notice required under subdivision (1) must be received at least two  
 22           (2) full working days but not more than twenty (20) calendar days  
 23           before the commencement of the work. Upon receiving the notice, the  
 24           association immediately shall notify each operator that has  
 25           underground facilities located in the proposed area of excavation or  
 26           demolition. A person responsible for excavation or demolition may  
 27           commence work before the elapse of two (2) full working days if all  
 28           affected operators have notified the person that the location of all the  
 29           affected operators' facilities have been marked or that the affected  
 30           operators have no facilities in the location of the proposed excavation  
 31           or demolition.

32           (b) A county recorder who receives an inquiry from a person  
 33           seeking to provide notice of an excavation or a demolition under this  
 34           section shall refer the person to the association. After receiving a notice  
 35           under this section, the association shall provide notice of the proposed  
 36           excavation or demolition to each member operator that has  
 37           underground facilities located in the proposed area of excavation or  
 38           demolition.

39           (c) A person responsible for demolition must give an operator a  
 40           reasonable amount of time, as mutually determined by the operator, the  
 41           person responsible for demolition, and the project owner, to remove or  
 42           protect the operator's facilities before demolition of the structure is



- 1 commenced.
- 2 (d) The notice required by subsection (a) must contain the following
- 3 information:
- 4 (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the person
- 5 serving the notice, and, if different, the person responsible for the
- 6 excavation or demolition.
- 7 (2) The starting date, anticipated duration, and type of excavation
- 8 or demolition operation to be conducted.
- 9 (3) The location of the proposed excavation or demolition.
- 10 (4) Whether or not explosives or blasting are to be used.
- 11 (5) The approximate depth of excavation.
- 12 (6) Whether the person responsible for the proposed excavation
- 13 or demolition intends to perform white lining at the site of the
- 14 proposed excavation or demolition.
- 15 (e) The person responsible for the excavation or demolition shall
- 16 submit a separate locate request along with the notice provided under
- 17 subsection (d)(3) to the association as follows:
- 18 (1) Within an incorporated area, for each one thousand five
- 19 hundred (1,500) linear feet of proposed excavation or demolition.
- 20 (2) In an unincorporated area, for **at least** each two thousand ~~five~~
- 21 **six hundred (2,500) forty (2,640)** linear feet of proposed
- 22 excavation or demolition.
- 23 **(f) A notice provided under this section by a person responsible**
- 24 **for an excavation or demolition expires twenty (20) days after the**
- 25 **date the notice is submitted to the association under subsection (a),**
- 26 **as determined in the manner specified in section 17(d) of this**
- 27 **chapter. If, at the conclusion of the twenty (20) day period**
- 28 **described in this subsection, any part of the excavation or**
- 29 **demolition is not complete at any part of the site for which the**
- 30 **original notice was submitted, the person responsible for the**
- 31 **excavation or demolition may not continue or resume the**
- 32 **excavation or demolition at any part of the site for which the**
- 33 **original notice was submitted until:**
- 34 **(1) the person responsible for the excavation or demolition**
- 35 **submits to the association a new locate request, along with a**
- 36 **notice that complies with subsection (d), with respect to that**
- 37 **part of the site for which the excavation or demolition is not**
- 38 **complete; and**
- 39 **(2) each affected operator provides facility locate markings in**
- 40 **compliance with section 18 of this chapter for that part of the**
- 41 **site for which the new locate request and notice are submitted**
- 42 **under subdivision (1).**



1           ~~(f)~~ (g) The association shall maintain an adequate record of the  
 2 notice required by this section for seven (7) years to document  
 3 compliance with this chapter. A copy of the record shall be furnished  
 4 to the person giving notice to excavate or demolish upon written  
 5 request.

6           ~~(g)~~ (h) A person that:

7           (1) causes damage to a pipeline facility located in an area of  
 8 excavation or demolition;

9           (2) is required to provide notice under this section for the  
 10 excavation or demolition; and

11           (3) fails to provide the notice;

12 may be subject to a civil penalty in an amount recommended by the  
 13 advisory committee and approved by the commission, not to exceed ten  
 14 thousand dollars (\$10,000).

15           ~~(h)~~ (i) A person that:

16           (1) causes damage to a pipeline facility located in an area of  
 17 excavation or demolition;

18           (2) is required to perform white lining under subsection (a)(2);  
 19 and

20           (3) fails to perform white lining before an operator of a pipeline  
 21 facility arrives at the site of the proposed excavation or demolition  
 22 to mark the operator's pipeline facilities;

23 may be subject to a civil penalty in an amount recommended by the  
 24 advisory committee and approved by the commission, not to exceed ten  
 25 thousand dollars (\$10,000).

26           SECTION 4. IC 8-1-26-17, AS AMENDED BY P.L.62-2009,  
 27 SECTION 14, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 28 JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 17. (a) An operator that has underground facilities  
 29 located in Indiana must be a member of the Indiana Underground Plant  
 30 Protection Service or its successor organization. The articles of  
 31 incorporation or the bylaws of the Indiana Underground Plant  
 32 Protection Service or its successor organization shall do the following:

33           (1) Provide that the board of directors of the Indiana Underground  
 34 Plant Protection Service or its successor organization is composed  
 35 of:

36           (A) five (5) members representing electric utilities other than  
 37 municipal electric utilities, including corporations organized  
 38 or operating under IC 8-1-13 or corporations organized under  
 39 IC 23-17, some of whose members are local district  
 40 corporations (as described in IC 8-1-13-23);

41           (B) five (5) members representing investor owned gas utilities,  
 42 including pipelines;



1 (C) five (5) members representing ~~telecommunications~~  
 2 **communications service** providers, at least one (1) of whom  
 3 is a provider of cable television service;

4 (D) five (5) members representing water or sewer utilities  
 5 other than municipal water or sewer utilities; and

6 (E) five (5) members representing political subdivisions,  
 7 including municipal utilities, which must include ~~the political~~  
 8 ~~subdivision that owns a member representing~~ the largest  
 9 waterworks utility in Indiana **that is owned by:**

10 (i) **a political subdivision; or**

11 (ii) **a department of public utilities created by**  
 12 **IC 8-1-11.1.**

13 (2) Require the affirmative vote of at least sixty percent (60%) of  
 14 each category of members appointed under subdivision (1) to  
 15 approve an increase, a decrease, or any other adjustment to the  
 16 membership dues, rates, tariffs, locate fees, or any other charges  
 17 imposed by the Indiana Underground Plant Protection Service or  
 18 its successor organization.

19 (b) The association shall provide for mutual receipt of notice of  
 20 excavation or demolition operations under section 16 of this chapter.

21 (c) The association shall:

22 (1) annually update the association's base map data, including  
 23 street addresses; and

24 (2) make reasonable efforts to reduce incorrect locate requests  
 25 issued to the association's members.

26 (d) The association shall develop and implement guidelines to  
 27 provide that, for purposes of providing notice to an operator under  
 28 section 16 of this chapter, the time of receipt of a notice of an intent to  
 29 excavate or demolish is determined as follows:

30 (1) For a notice that is received between the hours of 7 a.m. and  
 31 6 p.m. on a working day, at the time of receipt.

32 (2) For a notice that is received after 6 p.m. on a working day and  
 33 before 7 a.m. on the following working day, at 7 a.m. on the  
 34 following working day.

35 SECTION 5. IC 8-1-26-18, AS AMENDED BY P.L.62-2009,  
 36 SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 37 JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 18. (a) **Subject to subsection (i)**, each operator  
 38 notified under section 16 of this chapter shall, **in not later than** two (2)  
 39 full working days after receiving the notice of intent provided in  
 40 section 16 of this chapter, supply to the person responsible for the  
 41 excavation or demolition the following information, using maps when  
 42 appropriate:



- 1 (1) The approximate location and a description of all the
- 2 operator's underground facilities that may be damaged as a result
- 3 of the excavation or demolition.
- 4 (2) The location and description of all facility markers indicating
- 5 the approximate location of the underground facilities.
- 6 (3) Any other information that would assist that person in locating
- 7 and avoiding damage to the underground facilities, including
- 8 providing adequate temporary markings indicating the
- 9 approximate location of the underground facility and locations
- 10 where permanent facility markers do not exist.
- 11 (b) Facility locate markings must consist of paint, flags, or stakes or
- 12 any combination that mark the approximate location of the
- 13 underground facilities. The method of marking must be appropriate for
- 14 the location of the underground facilities.
- 15 (c) Color coding of facility locate markings indicating the type of
- 16 underground facility must conform to the following color coding:
- 17 Facility and Type of Product Specific Group
- 18 Identifying Color
- 19 (1) Electric power distribution
- 20 and transmission . . . . . Safety red
- 21 (2) Municipal electric systems . . . . . Safety red
- 22 (3) Gas distribution and
- 23 transmission . . . . . High visibility
- 24 safety yellow
- 25 (4) Oil distribution and
- 26 transmission . . . . . High visibility
- 27 safety yellow
- 28 (5) Dangerous materials, product
- 29 lines, steam lines . . . . . High visibility
- 30 safety yellow
- 31 (6) ~~Telephone and telegraph~~ **Communications service**
- 32 systems . . . . . Safety alert
- 33 orange
- 34 (7) Cable television . . . . . Safety alert
- 35 orange
- 36 (8) Police and fire
- 37 communications . . . . . Safety alert
- 38 orange
- 39 (9) Water systems . . . . . Safety precaution
- 40 blue
- 41 (10) Sewer systems . . . . . Safety green
- 42 (11) Proposed excavation . . . . . White





1 (d) Each operator notified under section 16 of this chapter shall,  
 2 ~~within not later than~~ two (2) full working days ~~of~~ **after** receiving the  
 3 notice of intent provided in section 16 of this chapter, make a  
 4 reasonable attempt to provide notification to the person responsible for  
 5 the excavation or demolition if the operator has no facilities in the  
 6 location of the proposed excavation or demolition.

7 (e) This section does not apply to an operator making an emergency  
 8 repair to its own underground facility.

9 (f) This subsection applies if all of the following occur:

10 (1) An operator of a pipeline facility is required to supply  
 11 information, including facility locate markings, under subsection

12 (a) to a person responsible for an excavation or demolition.

13 (2) The operator of the pipeline facility fails to supply the  
 14 information described in subdivision (1) or provides incorrect  
 15 facility locate markings.

16 (3) The operator's pipeline facility is damaged during the  
 17 excavation or demolition for which the operator was required to  
 18 supply the information described in subdivision (1).

19 The operator of the pipeline facility may be subject to a civil penalty in  
 20 an amount recommended by the advisory committee and approved by  
 21 the commission, not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

22 (g) Subsection (f) does not apply to an operator that:

23 (1) is repairing its own underground facilities; or

24 (2) fails to supply required information or provide facility locate  
 25 markings due to factors beyond the control of the operator.

26 (h) A person that knowingly moves, removes, damages, or otherwise  
 27 alters a facility locate marking supplied under this section may be  
 28 subject to a civil penalty in an amount recommended by the advisory  
 29 committee and approved by the commission, not to exceed ten  
 30 thousand dollars (\$10,000). This subsection does not apply to a person  
 31 that moves, removes, damages, or otherwise alters a facility locate  
 32 marking as part of the excavation or demolition for which the facility  
 33 locate markings were supplied.

34 **(i) If an operator receives, under section 16 of this chapter,**  
 35 **notice of an excavation or demolition and determines that the**  
 36 **operator is unable to do either or both of the following, the**  
 37 **operator shall notify the person responsible for the excavation or**  
 38 **demolition of the operator's determination and shall provide**  
 39 **additional information and, if requested, onsite assistance to the**  
 40 **person responsible for the excavation or demolition:**

41 **(1) Locate and mark the operator's affected underground**  
 42 **facilities in the time required by subsection (a).**



- 1           **(2) Mark the approximate location of the operator's affected**  
 2           **underground facilities.**  
 3           SECTION 6. IC 8-1-26-20, AS AMENDED BY P.L.62-2009,  
 4           SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 5           JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 20. (a) In addition to the notice required in section  
 6           16 of this chapter, a person responsible for an excavation or demolition  
 7           operation under section 14 of this chapter shall do all of the following:  
 8           (1) Plan the excavation or demolition to avoid damage to or  
 9           minimize interference with underground facilities in and near the  
 10           construction area.  
 11           (2) Maintain a clearance between an underground facility, as  
 12           marked by the operator, and the cutting edge or point of  
 13           mechanized equipment. The clearance must be not less than two  
 14           (2) feet on either side of the outer limits of the physical plant.  
 15           However, if the clearance is less than two (2) feet, **or if an**  
 16           **underground facility is located or contained in or under**  
 17           **pavement or another manmade hard surface**, exposure of the  
 18           underground facility may be accomplished **only as follows:**  
 19           (A) Only by the use of:  
 20           (i) hand excavation;  
 21           (ii) air cutting; **or**  
 22           (iii) vacuum excavation; **or**  
 23           (iv) hydro vacuum excavation.  
 24           (B) Mechanized equipment may not be used within the two  
 25           (2) feet on either side of the outer limits of the physical  
 26           plant unless the person responsible for the excavation or  
 27           demolition does the following:  
 28           (i) Visually identifies the precise location of the  
 29           underground facilities or visually confirms that no  
 30           facility is present within the depth of the excavation.  
 31           (ii) Takes reasonable precautions to avoid any  
 32           substantial weakening of the underground facilities'  
 33           structural or lateral support.  
 34           (iii) Takes reasonable precautions to avoid penetration  
 35           or destruction of the underground facilities, including  
 36           their protective coatings.  
 37           (iv) Requires an individual other than the equipment  
 38           operator to visually monitor the excavation activity.  
 39           (C) Mechanized equipment may be used for the initial  
 40           penetration and removal of pavement or other manmade  
 41           hard surfaces if an underground facility is located or  
 42           contained in or under pavement or another manmade hard



1 surface, or if there is pavement or another manmade hard  
 2 surface extending up to two (2) feet from either side of the  
 3 outer limits of the physical plant, subject to the following:

4 (i) The person responsible for the excavation or  
 5 demolition must plan the excavation to avoid damage to  
 6 or minimize interference with the underground facilities,  
 7 as required under subdivision (1).

8 (ii) The person responsible for the excavation or  
 9 demolition must take into account the known limits of  
 10 control of the mechanized equipment's cutting edge or  
 11 point.

12 (iii) The mechanized equipment may be used only to the  
 13 depth necessary to remove the pavement or other  
 14 manmade hard surface.

15 (3) Notify the association if:

16 (A) there is evidence of an unmarked pipeline facility in the  
 17 area of the excavation or demolition; or

18 (B) the markings indicating the location of an underground  
 19 facility have become illegible.

20 (b) A person who:

21 (1) violates subsection (a); and

22 (2) causes damage to a pipeline facility in the area of the  
 23 excavation or demolition;

24 may be subject to a civil penalty in an amount recommended by the  
 25 advisory committee and approved by the commission, not to exceed ten  
 26 thousand dollars (\$10,000).

27 SECTION 7. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014] (a) The definitions in  
 28 IC 8-1-26 apply throughout this SECTION.

29 (b) As used in this SECTION, "legislative council" means the  
 30 legislative council created by IC 2-5-1.1-1.

31 (c) The general assembly urges the legislative council to assign  
 32 to an interim or a statutory study committee during the 2014  
 33 legislative interim the topic of the technology (both technology that  
 34 is currently available and technology that is under development)  
 35 used to determine the elevation or depth, or both, of underground  
 36 facilities that are subject to IC 8-1-26, including an examination of  
 37 the following:

38 (1) The feasibility, benefits, and costs of requiring facility  
 39 operators to provide elevation or depth information for their  
 40 existing facilities or for facilities that are installed, repaired,  
 41 or replaced.

42 (2) The appropriate tolerance zones for interstate pipelines



1           regulated under 15 U.S.C. 717 et seq. or 49 U.S.C. 1 et seq. to  
2           ensure public safety and the integrity of the facilities.  
3       **The legislative council is further urged to include in this study**  
4       **assignment the topic of underground facilities that are subject to**  
5       **IC 8-1-26, generally.**  
6           (d) If an interim or a statutory study committee is assigned the  
7       topic described in subsection (c), the committee shall, not later than  
8       November 1, 2014, issue to the legislative council and to the  
9       governor a final report containing the committee's findings and  
10      recommendations, if any, on the topic described in subsection (c),  
11      including any recommended legislation for introduction in the  
12      general assembly. A report to the legislative council under this  
13      subsection must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.  
14           (e) This SECTION expires January 1, 2015.



## COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Utilities, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 405, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 2, between lines 3 and 4, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 3. IC 8-1-26-16, AS AMENDED BY P.L.62-2009, SECTION 13, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 16. (a) Except as provided in section 19 of this chapter, before commencing an excavation or demolition operation described in section 14 of this chapter, each person responsible for the excavation or demolition shall:

- (1) serve notice on the association of the person's intent to excavate or demolish; and
- (2) perform white lining at the site of the excavation or demolition if the person responsible for the excavation or demolition is unable to provide to the association the physical location of the proposed excavation or demolition by one (1) of the following means:
  - (A) A street address.
  - (B) A legal description of the location.
  - (C) A highway location using highway mile markers or cross streets.

The notice required under subdivision (1) must be received at least two (2) full working days but not more than twenty (20) calendar days before the commencement of the work. Upon receiving the notice, the association immediately shall notify each operator that has underground facilities located in the proposed area of excavation or demolition. A person responsible for excavation or demolition may commence work before the elapse of two (2) full working days if all affected operators have notified the person that the location of all the affected operators' facilities have been marked or that the affected operators have no facilities in the location of the proposed excavation or demolition.

(b) A county recorder who receives an inquiry from a person seeking to provide notice of an excavation or a demolition under this section shall refer the person to the association. After receiving a notice under this section, the association shall provide notice of the proposed excavation or demolition to each member operator that has underground facilities located in the proposed area of excavation or demolition.

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(c) A person responsible for demolition must give an operator a reasonable amount of time, as mutually determined by the operator, the person responsible for demolition, and the project owner, to remove or protect the operator's facilities before demolition of the structure is commenced.

(d) The notice required by subsection (a) must contain the following information:

- (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the person serving the notice, and, if different, the person responsible for the excavation or demolition.
- (2) The starting date, anticipated duration, and type of excavation or demolition operation to be conducted.
- (3) The location of the proposed excavation or demolition.
- (4) Whether or not explosives or blasting are to be used.
- (5) The approximate depth of excavation.
- (6) Whether the person responsible for the proposed excavation or demolition intends to perform white lining at the site of the proposed excavation or demolition.

(e) The person responsible for the excavation or demolition shall submit a separate locate request along with the notice provided under subsection (d)(3) to the association as follows:

- (1) Within an incorporated area, for each one thousand five hundred (1,500) linear feet of proposed excavation or demolition.
- (2) In an unincorporated area, for **at least** each two thousand ~~five~~ **six** hundred ~~(2,500)~~ **forty (2,640)** linear feet of proposed excavation or demolition.

**(f) A notice provided under this section by a person responsible for an excavation or demolition expires twenty (20) days after the date the notice is submitted to the association under subsection (a), as determined in the manner specified in section 17(d) of this chapter. If, at the conclusion of the twenty (20) day period described in this subsection, any part of the excavation or demolition is not complete at any part of the site for which the original notice was submitted, the person responsible for the excavation or demolition may not continue or resume the excavation or demolition at any part of the site for which the original notice was submitted until:**

- (1) the person responsible for the excavation or demolition submits to the association a new locate request, along with a notice that complies with subsection (d), with respect to that part of the site for which the excavation or demolition is not complete; and**



**(2) each affected operator provides facility locate markings in compliance with section 18 of this chapter for that part of the site for which the new locate request and notice are submitted under subdivision (1).**

~~(f)~~ **(g)** The association shall maintain an adequate record of the notice required by this section for seven (7) years to document compliance with this chapter. A copy of the record shall be furnished to the person giving notice to excavate or demolish upon written request.

~~(g)~~ **(h)** A person that:

- (1) causes damage to a pipeline facility located in an area of excavation or demolition;
- (2) is required to provide notice under this section for the excavation or demolition; and
- (3) fails to provide the notice;

may be subject to a civil penalty in an amount recommended by the advisory committee and approved by the commission, not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

~~(h)~~ **(i)** A person that:

- (1) causes damage to a pipeline facility located in an area of excavation or demolition;
- (2) is required to perform white lining under subsection (a)(2); and
- (3) fails to perform white lining before an operator of a pipeline facility arrives at the site of the proposed excavation or demolition to mark the operator's pipeline facilities;

may be subject to a civil penalty in an amount recommended by the advisory committee and approved by the commission, not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)."

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 405 as introduced.)

MERRITT, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0.



## SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 405 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, line 1, strike "hydroexcavators;" and insert "**hydraulic excavators;**".

Page 6, line 3, delete "Information provided under".

Page 6, delete lines 4 through 10.

Page 7, line 41, delete "If, after receiving the information required under subsection" and insert "**If an operator receives, under section 16 of this chapter, notice of an excavation or demolition and determines that the operator is unable to do either or both of the following, the operator shall notify the person responsible for the excavation or demolition of the operator's determination and shall provide additional information and, if requested, onsite assistance to the person responsible for the excavation or demolition:**

**(1) Locate and mark the operator's affected underground facilities in the time required by subsection (a).**

**(2) Mark the approximate location of the operator's affected underground facilities."**

Page 7, delete line 42.

Page 8, delete lines 1 through 14.

Page 8, line 27, after "feet," insert "**or if an underground facility is located or contained in or under pavement or another manmade hard surface,**".

Page 8, line 28, after "accomplished" insert "**only**".

Page 8, line 33, delete "notwithstanding section 9(9) of this chapter," and insert "**hydro vacuum excavation.**".

Page 8, delete lines 34 through 42, begin a new line double block indented and insert:

**"(B) Mechanized equipment may not be used within the two (2) feet on either side of the outer limits of the physical plant unless the person responsible for the excavation or demolition does the following:**

**(i) Visually identifies the precise location of the underground facilities or visually confirms that no facility is present within the depth of the excavation.**

**(ii) Takes reasonable precautions to avoid any substantial weakening of the underground facilities' structural or lateral support.**

**(iii) Takes reasonable precautions to avoid penetration or destruction of the underground facilities, including their protective coatings.**





- (iv) Requires an individual other than the equipment operator to visually monitor the excavation activity.
- (C) Mechanized equipment may be used for the initial penetration and removal of pavement or other manmade hard surfaces if an underground facility is located or contained in or under pavement or another manmade hard surface, or if there is pavement or another manmade hard surface extending up to two (2) feet from either side of the outer limits of the physical plant, subject to the following:
  - (i) The person responsible for the excavation or demolition must plan the excavation to avoid damage to or minimize interference with the underground facilities, as required under subdivision (1).
  - (ii) The person responsible for the excavation or demolition must take into account the known limits of control of the mechanized equipment's cutting edge or point.
  - (iii) The mechanized equipment may be used only to the depth necessary to remove the pavement or other manmade hard surface."

Page 9, delete lines 1 through 4.

Page 9, after line 16, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 7. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014] (a) The definitions in IC 8-1-26 apply throughout this SECTION.

(b) As used in this SECTION, "legislative council" means the legislative council created by IC 2-5-1.1-1.

(c) The general assembly urges the legislative council to assign to an interim or a statutory study committee during the 2014 legislative interim the topic of the technology (both technology that is currently available and technology that is under development) used to determine the elevation or depth, or both, of underground facilities that are subject to IC 8-1-26, including an examination of the following:

- (1) The feasibility, benefits, and costs of requiring facility operators to provide elevation or depth information for their existing facilities or for facilities that are installed, repaired, or replaced.
- (2) The appropriate tolerance zones for interstate pipelines regulated under 15 U.S.C. 717 et seq. or 49 U.S.C. 1 et seq. to ensure public safety and the integrity of the facilities.

(d) If an interim or a statutory study committee is assigned the topic described in subsection (c), the committee shall, not later than



**November 1, 2014, issue to the legislative council and to the governor a final report containing the committee's findings and recommendations, if any, on the topic described in subsection (c), including any recommended legislation for introduction in the general assembly. A report to the legislative council under this subsection must be in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6.**

**(e) This SECTION expires January 1, 2015."**

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to SB 405 as printed January 24, 2014.)

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Utilities and Energy, to which was referred Senate Bill 405, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 10, between lines 2 and 3, begin a new line blocked left and insert:

**"The legislative council is further urged to include in this study assignment the topic of underground facilities that are subject to IC 8-1-26, generally."**

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 405 as reprinted February 4, 2014.)

KOCH, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 0.

