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LEGISLATIVE BILL 691

Introduced by Linehan, 39.

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Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to cities of the metropolitan class; to amend
- 2 section 14-3,109, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide
- 3 for payment of project-related costs associated with construction of
- 4 a fixed rail or streetcar system; and to repeal the original
- 5 section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 14-3,109, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
2 is amended to read:

3 14-3,109 (1) A city shall have the power to compel any water
4 company, gas company, or other person, corporation, or firm owning or
5 controlling any pipe or other underground conduits or other appliances
6 usually installed under the surface of the streets, to provide for and
7 construct all connections that may be deemed necessary for the future, to
8 the curb or property lines in all streets, highways, boulevards,
9 controlled-access facilities, main thoroughfares, connecting links, major
10 traffic streets, or alleys to be paved, repaved, or otherwise improved in
11 such manner and in conformity with such plans as may be determined by the
12 city. If any such companies or other parties shall neglect to carry out
13 such construction or fail to make the connections required within thirty
14 days after such connections shall have been ordered, the city shall be
15 empowered to cause such connections to be done. For the purpose of paying
16 for such connections, the cost shall be deducted from such accounts as
17 the city may have with such companies or persons.

18 (2) If a fixed rail or streetcar system is constructed in a city,
19 all project-related costs for natural gas and water utilities shall be
20 paid for by such city or the owner of the fixed rail or streetcar system.
21 Project-related costs shall include any and all necessary utility work
22 required for the construction of the fixed rail or streetcar system and
23 shall include engineering services performed for any and all gas and
24 water utility work.

25 Sec. 2. Original section 14-3,109, Reissue Revised Statutes of
26 Nebraska, is repealed.