

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0210

Utility provider notice responsibility.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Henderson and Senator(s) Meier

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to utilities; requiring cities, towns,
2 improvement and service districts, public utilities, and
3 water and sewer districts to provide notice of a past due
4 account to property owners; making a conforming amendment;
5 and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 15-7-115, 18-12-141, 37-3-116 and
10 41-10-158 are created to read:

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12 **15-7-115. Notice to property owner of a past due**
13 **municipal account.**

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1 To provide a property owner with information regarding the
2 owner's property only, a city or town shall ensure that
3 notice is provided to the property owner of record of a
4 past due municipal water, sewer, electric, trash or
5 recycling account. One (1) notice shall be sent when an
6 account has been past due for thirty (30) days and one (1)
7 notice shall be sent when an account has been past due for
8 sixty (60) days. Notices required by this section shall be
9 sent to the record owners by first class mail or electronic
10 mail to the record owners' addresses on file with the city
11 or town. Notices required by this section shall be in
12 addition to any notices sent to an account holder. Each
13 city or town shall adopt appropriate policies to implement
14 this section.

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16 **18-12-141. Notice to property owner of a past due**
17 **trash or recycling account.**

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19 To provide a property owner with information regarding the
20 owner's property only, a district shall ensure that notice
21 is provided to a property owner of record of a past due
22 water, sewer, trash or recycling account associated with
23 the owner's property. One (1) notice shall be sent when an

1 account has been past due for thirty (30) days and one (1)
2 notice shall be sent when an account has been past due for
3 sixty (60) days. Notices required by this section shall be
4 sent to the record owners by first class mail or electronic
5 mail to the record owners' addresses on file with the
6 district. Notices required by this section shall be in
7 addition to any notices sent to an account holder. Each
8 district shall promulgate appropriate rules to implement
9 this section.

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11 **37-3-116. Notice to property owner of a past due**
12 **utility account.**

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14 To provide a property owner with information regarding the
15 owner's property only, a public utility shall provide
16 notice to a property owner of record of a past due account
17 associated with the owner's property. One (1) notice shall
18 be sent when an account has been past due for thirty (30)
19 days and one (1) notice shall be sent when an account has
20 been past due for sixty (60) days. Notices required by this
21 section shall be sent to the record owners by first class
22 mail or electronic mail to the record owners' addresses on
23 file with the utility. Notices required by this section

1 shall be in addition to any notices sent to a utility
2 account holder. The commission shall promulgate appropriate
3 rules to implement this section.

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5 **41-10-158. Notice to property owner of a past due**
6 **water or sewer account.**

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8 To provide a property owner with information regarding the
9 owner's property only, a water district, sewer district or
10 water and sewer district shall ensure that notice is
11 provided to a property owner of record of a past due water
12 or sewer account associated with the owner's property. One
13 (1) notice shall be sent when an account has been past due
14 for thirty (30) days and one (1) notice shall be sent when
15 an account has been past due for sixty (60) days. Notices
16 required by this section shall be sent to the record owners
17 by first class mail or electronic mail to the record
18 owners' addresses on file with the district. Notices
19 required by this section shall be in addition to any
20 notices sent to an account holder. Each water district,
21 sewer district or water and sewer district shall promulgate
22 appropriate rules to implement this section.

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1 **Section 2.** W.S. 18-12-102(a)(xi) is amended to read:

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3 **18-12-102. Definitions.**

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5 (a) As used in this act:

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7 (xi) "This act" means W.S. 18-12-101 through

8 ~~18-12-140~~ 18-12-141;

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10 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2017.

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