



HOUSE BILL 522: Study Outside Water Rates.

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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 522 would direct the Legislative Research Commission to study fee and charge setting by municipalities in the operation of a water or sewer system.*

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 522 would direct the Legislative Research Commission to study fee and charge setting by municipalities in the operation of a water or sewer system. The study would focus on the disparity in fees between customers of the municipal system inside the boundaries of the municipality and customers of the municipal system outside of those boundaries. The Commission would be directed to report its findings, including legislative proposals, to the General Assembly by May 1, 2020.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would be effective when it becomes law.

BACKGROUND: Municipal water and sewer utilities often serve customers who live outside of city limits, and other utilities specify geographical boundaries within their service areas and identify their customers as residing “inside” and “outside” those boundaries. In many cases, utilities charge different rates for customers living inside or outside those boundaries.

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