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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
01/25/2022	.	
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The Committee on Regulated Industries (Wright) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Section 125.488, Florida Statutes, is created to
read:

125.488 Ordinances, regulations, and policies concerning
temporary underground power panels.—

(1) A county may not enact any ordinance, regulation, or
policy that prevents or has the effect of preventing an electric



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11 utility, as defined in s. 366.02(2), from installing a temporary
12 underground power panel if the temporary underground power panel
13 meets the requirements of Article 590 of the National Electrical
14 Code, 2020 edition, during the construction and installation of
15 the temporary underground power panel. After the county has
16 conducted an inspection of the temporary underground power
17 panel, the county may not require a subsequent inspection of the
18 temporary underground power panel as a condition of issuance of
19 the certificate of occupancy.

20 (2) As used in this section, the term "temporary
21 underground power panel" means a permanent meter base that
22 includes a meter socket, meter, and downpipe, to which power is
23 provided through an underground service line by an electric
24 utility pursuant to its tariffs or service standards, that is
25 permanently attached to a block residential structure, provides
26 temporary power for construction of the residential structure,
27 and is intended for use in providing permanent service to the
28 residential structure upon issuance of the certificate of
29 occupancy.

30 Section 2. Section 166.0484, Florida Statutes, is created
31 to read:

32 166.0484 Ordinances, regulations, and policies concerning
33 temporary underground power panels.-

34 (1) A municipality may not enact any ordinance, regulation,
35 or policy that prevents or has the effect of preventing an
36 electric utility, as defined in s. 366.02(2), from installing a
37 temporary underground power panel if the temporary underground
38 power panel meets the requirements of Article 590 of the
39 National Electrical Code, 2020 edition, during the construction



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40 and installation of the temporary underground power panel. After
41 the municipality has conducted an inspection of the temporary
42 underground power panel, the municipality may not require a
43 subsequent inspection of the temporary underground power panel
44 as a condition of issuance of the certificate of occupancy.

45 (2) As used in this section, the term "temporary
46 underground power panel" means a permanent meter base that
47 includes a meter socket, meter, and downpipe, to which power is
48 provided through an underground service line by an electric
49 utility pursuant to its tariffs or service standards, that is
50 permanently attached to a block residential structure, provides
51 temporary power for construction of the residential structure,
52 and is intended for use in providing permanent service to the
53 residential structure upon issuance of the certificate of
54 occupancy.

55 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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57 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

58 And the title is amended as follows:

59 Delete everything before the enacting clause
60 and insert:

61 A bill to be entitled
62 An act relating to temporary underground power panels;
63 creating ss. 125.488 and 166.0484, F.S.; prohibiting
64 counties and municipalities, respectively, from
65 enacting ordinances, regulations, or policies that
66 prevent certain electric utilities from installing
67 temporary underground power panels and from requiring
68 subsequent inspections of such panels as a condition



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69 of a certificate of occupancy under specified
70 conditions; defining the term "temporary underground
71 power panel"; providing an effective date.