

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HB 1451 (2026)

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u>      </u> (Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<u>      </u> (Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>      </u> (Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	<u>      </u> (Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	<u>      </u> (Y/N)
OTHER	<u>      </u>

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Economic Infrastructure  
2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Busatta offered the following:

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5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Remove lines 100-119 and insert:

7 **Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 180.191, Florida**

8 **Statutes, is amended to read:**

9 180.191 Limitation on rates charged consumer outside city  
10 limits.—

11 (1) Any municipality within the state operating a water or  
12 sewer utility outside of the boundaries of such municipality  
13 shall charge consumers outside the boundaries rates, fees, and  
14 charges determined in one of the following manners:

15 (a) It may charge the same rates, fees, and charges as  
16 consumers inside the municipal boundaries. ~~However, in addition~~

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17 ~~thereto, the municipality may add a surcharge of not more than~~  
18 ~~25 percent of such rates, fees, and charges to consumers outside~~  
19 ~~the boundaries. Fixing of such rates, fees, and charges in this~~  
20 ~~manner shall not require a public hearing except as may be~~  
21 ~~provided for service to consumers inside the municipality.~~

22 (b) It may charge rates, fees, and charges that are just  
23 and equitable and which are based on the same factors used in  
24 fixing the rates, fees, and charges for consumers inside the  
25 municipal boundaries. ~~In addition thereto, the municipality may~~  
26 ~~add a surcharge not to exceed 25 percent of such rates, fees,~~  
27 ~~and charges for said services to consumers outside the~~  
28 ~~boundaries. However, the total of all such rates, fees, and~~  
29 charges for the services to consumers outside the boundaries may  
30 shall not be more than 25 50 percent in excess of the rates,  
31 fees, and charges total amount the municipality charges  
32 consumers served within the municipality for corresponding  
33 service. No such rates, fees, and charges shall be fixed until  
34 after a public hearing at which all of the users of the water or  
35 sewer systems; owners, tenants, or occupants of property served  
36 or to be served thereby; and all others interested shall have an  
37 opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed rates, fees, and  
38 charges. Any change or revision of such rates, fees, or charges  
39 may be made in the same manner as such rates, fees, or charges  
40 were originally established, but if such change or revision is  
41 to be made substantially pro rata as to all classes of service,

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42 both inside and outside the municipality, no hearing or notice  
43 shall be required.

44 **Section 3. Effective July 1, 2026, section 180.192, Florida Statutes, is created to read:**

46 180.192 Reporting requirements related to municipal utility service.—

48 (1) By January 1, 2027, and annually thereafter, each municipality that provides electric, natural gas, water, or sewer utility services pursuant to s. 180.191(1) must provide a report to the Florida Public Service Commission. A municipality that fails to file the report required by this subsection shall be subject to the penalties provided in s. 366.095. The report must identify, for each type of utility service provided by the municipality:

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58 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

59 Remove lines 12-20 and insert:

60 amending s. 180.191, F.S.; revising provisions  
61 relating to permissible rates, fees, and charges  
62 imposed by municipal water and sewer utilities on  
63 customers located outside the municipal boundaries;  
64 creating s. 180.192, F.S.; requiring municipalities  
65 that provide specified utility services to report  
66 certain information by a specified date, and annually

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67       thereafter, to the Florida Public Service Commission;  
68       establishing a penalty; requiring the commission to  
69       compile such