

A bill for an act

relating to utilities; requiring notice to cities of utility disconnections; requiring reports; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 13.681, by adding a subdivision; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 216B.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 13.681, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 6. **Utility disconnection.** Utility data on disconnections provided to cities under section 216B.0976 shall be treated as private data on individuals or nonpublic data.

Sec. 2. **[216B.0976] NOTICE TO CITIES OF UTILITY DISCONNECTION.**

Subdivision 1. **Notice required.** Notwithstanding section 13.685 or any other law or administrative rule to the contrary, a public utility, cooperative electric association, or municipal utility must provide notice to a statutory city or home rule charter city, as prescribed by this section, of disconnection of a customer's gas or electric service. Upon written request from a city, on October 15 and November 1 of each year, or the next business day if that date falls on a Saturday or Sunday, a report must be made available to the city of the address of properties currently disconnected and the date of the disconnection. Upon written request from a city, between October 15 and April 15, daily reports must be made available of the address and date of any newly disconnected properties.

For the purpose of this section, "disconnection" means a cessation of services initiated by the public utility, cooperative electric association, or municipal utility that

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2.1 affects the primary heat source of a residence and service is not reconnected within 24
2.2 hours.

2.3 Subd. 2. **Data.** Data on customers that are provided to cities under subdivision 1 are
2.4 private data on individuals or nonpublic data, as defined in section 13.02.

2.5 Sec. 3. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.6 Sections 1 and 2 are effective the day following final enactment.