

House Research Act Summary

CHAPTER: 43

SESSION: 1999 Regular Session

TOPIC: Gopher One Call System

Date: June 9, 1999

Analyst: Jeanne Cochran, 651-296-8961

This publication can be made available in alternative formats upon request. Please call 651-296-6753 (voice); or the Minnesota State Relay Service at 1-800-627-3529 (TTY) for assistance. Summaries are also available on our website at: www.house.mn/hrd.

Overview

This act modifies the Gopher One Call system to require for immediate notification be provided to 911 emergency authorities in case of a serious leak resulting from excavation, and prompt notification in other instances. The act also requires the 911 answering point to maintain a response plan to such notifications.

- 1 Modifies the Gopher One Call reporting requirements to require:
 - prompt notification of damage to an underground facility or its protective covering to the operator of the underground facility; and
 - immediate notification to the operator of the underground facility and the 911 answering point if the damage results in the escape of any flammable, toxic, or corrosive gas or liquid or endangers life, health or property.

Requires the 911 public safety answering point to maintain a response plan for notifications generated under this section.