

Chapter 23

2025 Regular Session

Subject Underground telecommunications infrastructure installation

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Overview

Modifies requirements for installing underground telecommunications infrastructure and for certification as a safety-qualified underground telecommunications installer.

Summary

Section Description

1 Installation requirements.

Removes the requirement that a minimum of two safety-qualified installers be present at all times when infrastructure is being installed by directional drilling. Eliminates a 2025 deadline for compliance with the installation requirements that was specific to installations in the seven-county metropolitan area. The January 1, 2026, deadline for all installations to comply statewide remains in place.

Effective date: This section became effective May 20, 2025.

2 Certification standards.

Creates a process for granting retroactive credit towards classroom instruction training requirements, if the course is approved by the commissioner of labor and industry and the person who took the course in the past successfully completes an examination to be certified as a safety-qualified underground telecommunications installer.

Effective date: This section became effective May 20, 2025.