



2017 SENATE BILL 48

February 20, 2017 - Introduced by Senators COWLES, L. TAYLOR, BEWLEY, CARPENTER, DARLING, FEYEN, HARSDDORF, JOHNSON, C. LARSON, LASEE, MILLER, OLSEN, PETROWSKI, RISSER, VINEHOUT, VUKMIR, WANGGAARD and HANSEN, cosponsored by Representatives THIESFELDT, KRUG, GENRICH, CROWLEY, BARCA, BOWEN, E. BROOKS, BROSTOFF, FIELDS, GOYKE, HORLACHER, JAGLER, KITCHENS, KOLSTE, MASON, NOVAK, OHNSTAD, RIPP, SCHRAA, SPREITZER, SPIROS, STEFFEN, STUCK, SUBECK, C. TAYLOR, TAUCHEN, TUSLER, ZAMARRIPA, ZEPNICK, ANDERSON and ALLEN. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 196.37 (6) of the statutes; **relating to:** lead service line
2 replacements.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill provides that it is not unjust, unreasonable, insufficient, unfairly discriminatory, or preferential or otherwise unreasonable or unlawful for a water public utility to provide financial assistance to a customer solely for replacing service lines containing lead if the financial assistance is allowed by local ordinance. The bill also provides that the water public utility may provide financial assistance for the replacement of a service line containing lead only if the portion of the service line for which the utility is responsible and the water main that are connected to the customer's service line either do not contain lead or are replaced at the same time as the customer's service line is to be replaced. Under the bill, if a water public utility provides financial assistance for replacing service lines containing lead, the Public Service Commission must include the cost of providing that financial assistance in its determination of water rates.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

3 **SECTION 1.** 196.37 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

