

HB 1919 -- Underground Facility Safety and Damage Prevention

Sponsor: Schatz

This bill establishes new requirements for reporting underground infrastructure under the excavation safety requirements of Chapter 319, RSMo. Sprinkler systems are added to the definition of "underground facility" and those installing them will have to comply with the notification procedures of the chapter. Water utilities including municipal utilities and other water companies that connect their main lines to water and sewer lines on private property are also subject to the notification and location report requirements of the chapter when any of the water or sewer lines on the private property cross or lie within an easement or right-of-way dedicated to public use or on property that is owned by a third party other than the landowner. A landowner using water and sewer utility services that he or she solely owns will not be considered an underground facility at any location and he or she remains exempt from these notification and reporting requirements.