

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on **Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications** recommends **HB 2237** be amended on page 4, in line 23, after the period by inserting "A municipality shall impose in a nondiscriminatory and competitively neutral manner all locally required permitting and right-of-way access requirements. Any municipality that executes an agreement, franchise or any other arrangement with any provider seeking to access the right-of-way for any purpose shall make the provisions of such agreement, franchise or other arrangement available to any other provider seeking to access the right-of-way in a nondiscriminatory and competitively neutral manner.";

On page 5, in line 18, after "(q)" by inserting "A municipality shall assess, impose or levy any tax or special assessment or fees on any provider, exclusive of franchise fees, in a cost-based, nondiscriminatory and competitively neutral manner.

(r)";

Also on page 5, in line 43, after the period by inserting "A municipality or provider may bring an enforcement action in any court of competent jurisdiction.";

And by redesignating subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs and clauses accordingly; and the bill be passed as amended.

Chairperson