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Committee: General File

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to public power suppliers; to amend sections
2 86-597 and 86-598, Revised Statutes Cumulative
3 Supplement, 2012; to repeal a provision that terminated
4 December 31, 2007; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the
5 original sections; and to outright repeal section 86-596,
6 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.
7 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 86-597, Revised Statutes Cumulative
2 Supplement, 2012, is amended to read:

3 86-597 (1) For purposes of sections 86-594 ~~to 86-596~~, and
4 86-595, providing a service on a retail or wholesale basis shall not
5 include an agency or political subdivision of the state, whether or
6 not a public power supplier, deploying or utilizing broadband
7 services, Internet services, telecommunications services, or video
8 services, for its own use either individually or jointly through the
9 Interlocal Cooperation Act, the Joint Public Agency Act, or the
10 Municipal Cooperative Financing Act for the internal use and purpose
11 of the agency, political subdivision, or public power supplier or to
12 carry out the public purposes of the agency, political subdivision,
13 or public power supplier.

14 (2) Nothing in sections 86-593 to 86-598 prohibits or
15 restricts the ability of an agency, political subdivision, or public
16 power supplier from deploying or utilizing broadband services,
17 Internet services, telecommunications services, or video services for
18 the internal use and purpose of the agency, political subdivision, or
19 public power supplier, or to carry out the public purposes of the
20 agency, political subdivision, or public power supplier.

21 Sec. 2. Section 86-598, Revised Statutes Cumulative
22 Supplement, 2012, is amended to read:

23 86-598 Except as otherwise provided in ~~sections~~ section
24 86-595, ~~and 86-596~~, nothing in sections 86-593 to 86-598 shall be
25 construed to restrict or expand any authority of a public power

1 supplier as that authority existed prior to September 4, 2005.

2 Sec. 3. Original sections 86-597 and 86-598, Revised
3 Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012, are repealed.

4 Sec. 4. The following section is outright repealed:
5 Section 86-596, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.