## **Bill Summary** 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 58<sup>th</sup> Legislature

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## **Bill Analysis**

SB 621 establishes the maximum rate a rural electric cooperative may charge for attachments to utility poles by communications services providers at \$20.00 per rural electric cooperative owned pole per year. The rate may only increase by an amount equal to the increase in the annual recurring rate permitted under federal law. The maximum rate shall not include any applicable charges for electric power and shall be paid for separately. Any rural electric cooperative that attaches to a pole resulting in the relocation of an existing attachment of a communications services provider shall pay for the cost of the relocation of the communications services provider's attachment. Additionally, the measure prohibits rural electric cooperatives from offering cable television or video services without first obtaining a franchise from the city or town.

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