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Brief Description: Regarding utility relocation costs.

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Provides that, if utility facilities must be removed or relocated as a result of the construction, alteration, repair, or improvement of a rail fixed guideway system as defined in RCW 81.104.015, the costs of the removal or relocation must be included in the costs of the system and paid by the authority. However, any additional costs associated with the upgrade of any existing utility facility that the utility elects to undertake must be paid by the utility.

Provides that, if there is a dispute over costs, the costs will be submitted to an independent auditor agreed to by the parties. That auditor will determine if the costs were accurate and the auditor's decision will be final. The cost of the auditor must be paid by the party requesting the audit.