

6208-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections  
(originally sponsored by Senators Roach, Kastama and McCaslin)

Brief Description: Allowing water-sewer districts to set connection charges for future facilities. Revised for 1st Substitute: Regarding temporary water-sewer connections.

**SB 6208-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that, in lieu of requiring the installation of permanent local facilities not planned for construction by the district, a district may permit connection to the water and/or sewer systems through temporary facilities installed at the property owner's expense, provided the property owner pays a connection charge consistent with the provisions of this act and agrees, in the future, to connect to permanent facilities when they are installed; or a district may permit connection to the water and/or sewer systems through temporary facilities and collect from property owners so connecting a proportionate share of the estimated cost of future local facilities needed to serve the property, as determined by the district.

Requires the amount collected, including interest at a rate commensurate with the rate of interest applicable to the district at the time of construction of the temporary facilities, to be held for contribution to the construction of the permanent local facilities by other developers or the district. The amount collected shall be deemed full satisfaction of the proportionate share of the actual cost of construction of the permanent local facilities.

Provides that, if the permanent local facilities are not constructed within fifteen years of the date of payment, the amount collected, including any accrued interest, shall be returned to the property owner, according to the records of the county auditor on the date of return. If the amount collected is returned to the property owner, and permanent local facilities capable of serving the property are constructed thereafter, the property owner at the time of construction of such permanent local facilities shall pay a proportionate share of the cost of such permanent local facilities, in addition to reasonable connection charges and other charges authorized by this act.