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Senate Bill 349 (as introduced 4-15-97) Sponsor: Senator Loren Bennett

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## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Mobile Home Commission Act to prohibit an owner or operator of a mobile home park or seasonal mobile home park, or an employee of the park, from charging a person more than the actual cost of the person's use of a utility service or other specific maintenance service.

("Actual cost" would mean the amount charged by a municipality, a public utility, or a business entity for providing electric service, gas or other fuel service, water service, sewer service, trash pickup service, recycling service, snow removal service, or road maintenance service.)

Currently, an owner or operator of a mobile home park is prohibited from directly or indirectly charging or collecting from a person money or other valuable consideration for electric, fuel, or water service without first accurately and consistently measuring the use of that service by a resident or tenant, unless that service is included in the rental charge as part of tenancy. Under the bill, an owner or operator would be prohibited from charging or collecting for these utility services or for sewer, trash pickup, recycling, snow removal, or road maintenance service without first accurately and consistently measuring the use of that service by a resident or tenant, unless it was included in the rental charge as part of tenancy, or charging more than the actual cost of a person's use of the service.

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## FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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