

HB 2091 -- VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDERS

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This bill changes provisions relating to video service providers by specifying that no political subdivision can adopt a linear foot fee to be charged to any entity that holds a franchise or video service authorization.

Currently, franchise entities may collect a video service provider fee equal to not more than 5% of the gross revenues of a video service provider providing service in the geographic area of such franchise entity. The bill changes the definition of gross revenues to specify that a franchise entity may collect a video service provider fee equal to not more than 5% of the first \$20 of the gross revenues charged to each customer of a video service provider that is providing video service in the geographic area of such franchise entity. A franchise entity or political subdivision can not demand any additional fees, licenses, gross receipt taxes, or charges on a video service provider that holds a video service authorization, or an affiliate of such video service provider, with respect to:

- (1) The placement, construction, or modification of facilities integrated with or attached to a video service network within the geographic area of the franchise entity or other political subdivision; or
- (2) The provision by such video service provider operator or affiliate of any service over a video service network within the geographic area of the franchise entity or other political subdivision.

The bill also repeals the Sunset date for the Uniform Small Wireless Facility Deployment Act.

This bill is the same as SB 526 (2020).