

SENATE BILL NO. 210—COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND LABOR

(ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA)

FEBRUARY 20, 2001

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Makes various changes concerning regulation of utilities. (BDR 58-540)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to utilities; revising provisions governing annual assessments imposed by the public utilities commission of Nevada; revising provisions governing the establishment of the rates of certain utilities; providing that certain accident reports concerning utilities must be open to public inspection; changing the dates for the calculation and payment of assessments by railroads; revising provisions governing the adoption of water conservation and incentive plans by utilities; revising provisions governing the provision of utility services to mobile home parks and company towns to include services from alternative sellers; providing for the acquisition of utility services by mobile home parks from alternative sellers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1     **Section 1.** NRS 704.033 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2     704.033 1. ~~The~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the*  
3     commission shall levy and collect an annual assessment from all public  
4     utilities , *providers of discretionary natural gas service and alternative*  
5     *sellers* subject to the jurisdiction of the commission.  
6     2. Except as otherwise provided in ~~subsection 3,~~ *subsections 3 and 4,*  
7     the annual assessment must be:  
8     (a) For the use of the commission, not more than 3.50 mills; and  
9     (b) For the use of the consumer's advocate of the bureau of consumer  
10    protection in the office of the attorney general, not more than  
11    0.75 mills,  
12    on each dollar of gross operating revenue derived from the intrastate  
13    operations of such utilities , *providers of discretionary natural gas service*  
14    *and alternative sellers* in the State of Nevada . ~~I, except that the minimum~~



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1 ~~assessment in any 1 year must be \$10.~~ The total annual assessment must  
2 be not more than 4.25 mills.

3 3. ~~For railroads the total annual assessment must be the amount levied~~  
4 ~~for the use of the commission pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 2.~~  
5 The levy for the use of the consumer's advocate must not be assessed  
6 against railroads.

7 4. The minimum assessment in any 1 year must be \$100.

8 5. The gross operating revenue of the utilities must be determined for  
9 the preceding calendar year. In the case of:

10 (a) Telephone utilities, except as *otherwise* provided in paragraph (c),  
11 the revenue shall be deemed to be all intrastate revenues . ~~that are~~  
12 ~~considered by the commission for the purpose of establishing rates.~~

13 (b) Railroads, the revenue shall be deemed to be the revenue received  
14 only from freight and passenger intrastate movements.

15 (c) All public utilities, *providers of discretionary natural gas service*  
16 *and alternative sellers*, the revenue does not include the proceeds of any  
17 commodity, energy or service furnished to another public utility , *provider*  
18 *of discretionary natural gas service or alternative seller* for resale.

19 6. *Providers of commercial mobile radio service are not subject to the*  
20 *annual assessment and, in lieu thereof, shall pay to the commission an*  
21 *annual licensing fee of \$200.*

22 **Sec. 2.** NRS 704.035 is hereby amended to read as follows:

23 704.035 1. On or before June 1 of each year, the commission shall  
24 mail revenue report forms to all public utilities , *providers of discretionary*  
25 *natural gas service and alternative sellers* under its jurisdiction, to the  
26 address of those utilities , *providers of discretionary natural gas service*  
27 *and alternative sellers* on file with the commission. The revenue report  
28 form serves as notice of the commission's intent to assess ~~the utilities,~~  
29 *such entities*, but failure to notify any ~~utility~~ *such entity* does not  
30 invalidate the assessment with respect thereto.

31 2. Each public utility , *provider of discretionary natural gas service*  
32 *and alternative seller* subject to the provisions of NRS 704.033 shall  
33 complete the revenue report referred to in subsection 1, compute the  
34 assessment and return the completed revenue report to the commission  
35 accompanied by payment of the assessment and any penalty due, pursuant  
36 to the provisions of subsection 5.

37 3. The assessment is due on July 1 of each year, but may, at the option  
38 of the public utility, *provider of discretionary natural gas service or*  
39 *alternative seller* be paid quarterly on July 1, October 1, January 1 and  
40 April 1.

41 4. The assessment computed by the utility , *provider of discretionary*  
42 *natural gas service or alternative seller* is subject to review and audit by  
43 the commission, and the amount of the assessment may be adjusted by the  
44 commission as a result of the audit and review.

45 5. Any public utility , *provider of discretionary natural gas service or*  
46 *alternative seller* failing to pay the assessment provided for in NRS  
47 704.033 on or before August 1, or if paying quarterly, on or before  
48 August 1, October 1, January 1 or April 1, shall pay, in addition to such  
49 assessment, a penalty of 1 percent of the total unpaid balance for each



1 month or portion thereof that the assessment is delinquent, or \$10,  
2 whichever is greater, but no penalty may exceed \$1,000 for each  
3 delinquent payment.

4 6. When a public utility , *provider of discretionary natural gas service*  
5 *or alternative seller* sells, transfers or conveys substantially all of its assets  
6 or , *if applicable, its* certificate of public convenience and necessity, the  
7 commission shall determine, levy and collect the accrued assessment for  
8 the current year not later than 30 days after the sale, transfer or  
9 conveyance, unless the transferee has assumed liability for the assessment.  
10 For purposes of this subsection , the jurisdiction of the commission over  
11 the selling, transferring or conveying public utility , *provider of*  
12 *discretionary natural gas service or alternative seller* continues until it has  
13 paid the assessment.

14 7. The commission may bring an appropriate action in its own name  
15 for the collection of any assessment and penalty which is not paid as  
16 provided in this section.

17 8. The commission shall, on a quarterly basis, transfer to the account  
18 for the consumer's advocate of the bureau of consumer protection in the  
19 office of the attorney general that portion of the assessments collected  
20 which belongs to the consumer's advocate.

21 **Sec. 3.** NRS 704.095 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 704.095 The commission shall adopt regulations which provide a  
23 simplified procedure *or methodology* for a change of rates for those public  
24 utilities which furnish water or services for the disposal of sewage, or both,  
25 to persons within this state for compensation, and which:

26 1. Serve 3,000 or fewer persons; and

27 2. Had during the immediately preceding 12-month period gross sales  
28 for water or services for the disposal of sewage, or both, amounting to  
29 \$1,000,000 or less.

30 **Sec. 4.** NRS 704.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

31 704.190 1. Every public utility operating in this state shall, whenever  
32 an accident occurs in the conduct of its operation causing death, give  
33 prompt notice thereof to the commission, in such manner and within such  
34 time as the commission may prescribe. If , in its judgment , the public  
35 interest requires it, the commission may cause an investigation to be made  
36 forthwith of any accident, at such place and in such manner as the  
37 commission deems best.

38 2. Every such public utility shall report to the commission, at the time,  
39 in the manner and on such forms as the commission by its printed rules and  
40 regulations prescribes, all accidents happening in this state and occurring  
41 in, on or about the premises, plant, instrumentality or facility used by any  
42 such utility in the conduct of its business.

43 3. The commission shall adopt all reasonable rules and regulations  
44 necessary for the administration and enforcement of this section. The rules  
45 and regulations must ~~in any event~~ require that all accidents required to be  
46 reported pursuant to this section be reported to the commission at least  
47 once every calendar month by such officer or officers of the utility as the  
48 commission directs.



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1 4. The commission shall adopt and utilize all accident report forms,  
2 which ~~{forms}~~ must be so designed as to provide a concise and accurate  
3 report of the accident . ~~{and which}~~ *The* report must ~~{in any event}~~ show  
4 the true cause of the accident. The accident report forms adopted for the  
5 reporting of railroad accidents must , *as near as practicable*, be the same  
6 in design as ~~{near as may be as}~~ the railroad accident report forms provided  
7 and used by the Surface Transportation Board.

8 5. If any accident *is* reported to the commission ~~{is reported}~~ by the  
9 utility as being caused by or through the negligence of an employee and  
10 thereafter the employee is absolved from such negligence by the utility and  
11 found not to be responsible for the accident, that fact must be reported by  
12 the utility to the commission.

13 6. All accident reports required pursuant to this section must be filed in  
14 the office of the commission and there preserved. ~~{Notwithstanding any  
15 other provisions of law, neither any}~~ *Any* accident report made as required  
16 by this chapter ~~{, nor}~~ *and* any report of the commission made pursuant to  
17 ~~{any accident investigation made by it, may}~~ *its investigation of a fatal*  
18 *accident must* be open to public inspection . ~~{for disclosed to any person,  
19 except upon order of the commission, nor may either or any of the reports,  
20 or any portion thereof, be admitted as evidence or used for any purpose in  
21 any suit or action for damages growing out of any matter mentioned in the  
22 accident report or report of any such investigation.}~~

23 **Sec. 5.** NRS 704.309 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 704.309 1. The commission shall levy and collect an annual  
25 assessment from each railroad subject to the jurisdiction of the commission  
26 that transports cargo into, out of or through this state to support the  
27 activities of the commission relating to railroad safety.

28 2. The annual assessment levied on railroads:

29 (a) Must be equal to the costs incurred by the commission that are not  
30 offset by the fees paid pursuant to NRS 459.512.

31 (b) Must be not more than 1 cent per ton of cargo transported by the  
32 railroads into, out of or through this state during the immediately preceding  
33 calendar year.

34 3. On or before ~~{August}~~ *September* 1 of each year, the commission  
35 shall:

36 (a) Calculate the amount of the assessment to be levied pursuant to this  
37 section for the previous fiscal year; and

38 (b) Mail to each railroad subject to the provisions of this section to the  
39 current address of the railroad on file with the commission a notice  
40 indicating the amount of the assessment. The failure of the commission to  
41 so notify a railroad does not invalidate the assessment.

42 4. An assessment levied pursuant to this section is due on or before  
43 ~~{October}~~ *November* 1 of each year. Each railroad that is subject to the  
44 provisions of this section which fails to pay the assessment on or before  
45 ~~{November}~~ *December* 1, shall pay, in addition to the assessment, a penalty  
46 of 1 percent of the total unpaid balance for each month or portion thereof  
47 that the assessment is delinquent or \$10, whichever is greater, except that  
48 no penalty may exceed \$1,000 for each delinquent payment.



1 5. If a railroad sells or transfers its certificate of public convenience  
2 and necessity or sells or transfers substantially all of its assets, the  
3 commission shall calculate, levy and collect the accrued assessment for the  
4 current year not later than 30 days after the sale or transfer, unless the  
5 purchaser or transferee has assumed liability for the assessment. For the  
6 purposes of this subsection, the jurisdiction of the commission over the sale  
7 or transfer of a railroad continues until the assessment of the railroad has  
8 been paid.

9 6. The commission may bring an appropriate action in its own name  
10 for the collection of any assessment and penalty that is not paid pursuant to  
11 this section.

12 **Sec. 6.** NRS 704.662 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 704.662 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, each public  
14 utility which furnishes, for compensation, any water for municipal,  
15 industrial or domestic purposes shall adopt a plan of water conservation  
16 based on the climate and the living conditions in its service area in  
17 accordance with the provisions of NRS 704.6622. The provisions of the  
18 plan must only apply to the public utility's property and its customers.

19 2. As part of the procedure of adopting a plan, the public utility shall  
20 provide an opportunity for any interested party, including, but not limited  
21 to, any private or public entity that supplies water for municipal, industrial  
22 or domestic purposes, to submit written views and recommendations on the  
23 plan.

24 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the plan:

25 (a) Must be available for inspection by members of the public during  
26 office hours at the office of the public utility; and

27 (b) May be revised from time to time to reflect the changing needs and  
28 conditions of the service area. Each such revision must be filed with the  
29 commission and made available for inspection by members of the public  
30 within 30 days after its adoption.

31 4. ~~The plan must be submitted to the commission on or before July 1,~~  
32 ~~1992. The commission shall review the plan for compliance with this~~  
33 ~~section within 30 days after its submission.~~ The plan must be approved by  
34 the commission before it is put into effect.

35 5. In lieu of adopting a plan pursuant to subsection 1, a public utility  
36 which is subject to the provisions of NRS 704.095 may elect to comply  
37 with a plan of water conservation adopted by the commission for this  
38 purpose.

39 6. If the public utility is required by order of the commission to file a  
40 management plan for water resources, the public utility may adopt and file  
41 the plan of water conservation with the commission at the same time it is  
42 required to file the management plan for water resources.

43 **Sec. 7.** NRS 704.6624 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 704.6624 1. Each public utility which furnishes, for compensation,  
45 any water for municipal, industrial or domestic purposes shall ~~on or~~  
46 ~~before July 1, 1992,~~ adopt a plan to provide incentives:

47 (a) To encourage water conservation in its service area;

48 (b) To retrofit existing structures with plumbing fixtures designed to  
49 conserve the use of water; and



1 (c) For the installation of landscaping that uses a minimal amount of  
2 water.

3 2. As part of the procedure of adopting a plan, the public utility shall  
4 provide an opportunity for any interested person to submit written views  
5 and recommendations on the plan.

6 3. The plan:

7 (a) Must be available for inspection by members of the public during  
8 office hours at the office of the public utility; and

9 (b) May be revised from time to time to reflect the changing needs and  
10 conditions of the service area. Each such revision must be filed with the  
11 commission and made available for inspection by members of the public  
12 within 30 days after its adoption.

13 4. The commission shall review the plan for compliance with this  
14 section within 30 days after its submission. The plan must be approved by  
15 the commission before it is put into effect.

16 **Sec. 8.** NRS 704.905 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17 704.905 As used in NRS ~~704.910~~ 704.905 to 704.960, inclusive:

18 1. *"Alternative seller" includes:*

19 (a) *For electric services, an alternative seller as that term is defined in*  
20 *NRS 704.967; and*

21 (b) *For gas services, an alternative seller as that term is defined in*  
22 *NRS 704.994.*

23 2. "Company town" means a community whose primary purpose is to  
24 provide housing to employees of a person who owns not less than 70  
25 percent of the dwellings, and may include commercial or other supporting  
26 establishments.

27 ~~12-1~~ 3. "Dwelling" includes a commercial or other supporting  
28 establishment.

29 ~~13-1~~ 4. "Utility" includes a public utility and all city, county or other  
30 governmental entities which provide electric, gas or water service to a  
31 mobile home park or a company town.

32 **Sec. 9.** NRS 704.910 is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 704.910 1. The provisions of NRS 704.910 to 704.960, inclusive,  
34 apply to mobile home parks governed by the provisions of chapters 118B  
35 and 461A of NRS, utilities *and alternative sellers* which provide *utility*  
36 service to those parks and landlords who operate those parks.

37 2. A utility *or an alternative seller* which provides gas, water or  
38 electricity to any landlord exclusively for distribution or resale to tenants  
39 residing in mobile homes or for the landlord's residential use shall not  
40 charge the landlord for those services at a rate higher than the current rates  
41 offered by the utility *or alternative seller, as appropriate*, to its residential  
42 customers.

43 **Sec. 10.** NRS 704.920 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 704.920 1. The provisions of NRS 704.920 to 704.960, inclusive,  
45 apply to company towns, utilities *and alternative sellers* which provide  
46 *utility* services to company towns, and persons who own and operate  
47 company towns.

48 2. The commission shall require a public utility *or an alternative*  
49 *seller, as appropriate*, which provides ~~service~~ *utility services* to a mobile



1 home park or to a company town, or an independent person who is  
2 qualified, to conduct examinations to examine and test the lines and  
3 equipment for distributing electricity and gas within the park or town at the  
4 request of the manufactured housing division of the department of business  
5 and industry or a city or county which has responsibility for the  
6 enforcement of the provisions of chapter 461A of NRS. The utility ~~H~~ *or*  
7 *alternative seller*, the person selected to conduct the examination and the  
8 commission may enter a mobile home park or company town at reasonable  
9 times to examine and test the lines and equipment, whether or not they are  
10 owned by a utility ~~H~~ *or an alternative seller*.

11 3. The utility *or alternative seller, as appropriate*, or the person  
12 selected to conduct the examination, shall conduct the examination and  
13 testing to determine whether any line or equipment is unsafe for service  
14 under the safety standards adopted by the commission for the maintenance,  
15 use and operation of lines and equipment for distributing electricity and  
16 gas, and shall report the results of the examination and testing to the  
17 commission.

18 4. The owner of the mobile home park or company town shall pay for  
19 the costs of the examination and testing.

20 5. If the landlord of a mobile home park or owner of a company town  
21 refuses to allow the examination and testing to be made as provided in this  
22 section, the commission shall deem the unexamined lines and equipment to  
23 be unsafe for service.

24 6. If the commission finds:

25 (a) Or deems any lines or equipment within a mobile home park or  
26 company town to be unsafe for service, it shall take appropriate action to  
27 protect the safety of the residents of the park or town.

28 (b) Such lines or equipment to be unsafe for service or otherwise not in  
29 compliance with its safety standards, it may, after a hearing, order the  
30 landlord or owner to repair or replace such lines and equipment. For this  
31 purpose ~~the~~, *the landlord or owner* may expend some or all of the money  
32 in his account for service charges for utilities, which he is required to keep  
33 under NRS 704.940.

34 **Sec. 11.** NRS 704.930 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 704.930 If a utility ~~furnishes~~ *or an alternative seller provides a*  
36 *utility* service to a mobile home park or company town and the landlord of  
37 the park or owner of the town charges his tenants or the occupants of his  
38 dwellings for that service, ~~the~~ *the landlord or owner* shall:

39 1. Provide that service to his tenants or the occupants of his dwellings  
40 in a manner which is consistent with the utility's tariffs on file with the  
41 commission, *if applicable*, and any law, ordinance or governmental  
42 regulation relating to the provision of ~~those services~~ *that service*. The  
43 landlord or owner of the town shall not interrupt such a service for  
44 nonpayment of charges unless the interruption is performed in a manner  
45 which is consistent with the utility's tariffs on file with the commission, *if*  
46 *applicable*, and any law, ordinance or governmental regulation relating to  
47 the manner of interrupting such a service for nonpayment of charges.



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1 2. Not more than 5 days after he receives notice of a proposed increase  
2 in the ~~utility's rates,~~ *rates of the utility service*, give notice to his tenants  
3 or those occupants of the proposed increase.

4 **Sec. 12.** NRS 704.940 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 704.940 1. In a mobile home park or company town where the  
6 landlord or owner is billed by a gas or electric utility *or an alternative*  
7 *seller* and in turn charges the tenants or occupants of the dwellings for the  
8 service provided by the utility ~~+~~ *or alternative seller*, and the park or  
9 town:

10 (a) Is equipped with individual meters for each lot, the landlord or  
11 owner shall not charge a tenant or occupant for that service at a rate higher  
12 than the rate paid by the landlord or owner.

13 (b) Is not equipped with individual meters for each lot, the landlord or  
14 owner shall prorate the cost of the service equally among the tenants of the  
15 park or occupants of the dwellings who use the service, but the prorated  
16 charges must not exceed in the aggregate the cost of the service to the  
17 landlord or owner.

18 2. In a mobile home park or company town that:

19 (a) Is equipped with individual water meters for each lot, the individual  
20 meters must be read and billed by the purveyor of the water.

21 (b) Is not equipped with individual water meters for each lot and the  
22 landlord or owner is billed by the purveyor of the water and in turn charges  
23 the tenants or occupants of the dwellings for the service provided by the  
24 purveyor, the landlord or owner shall prorate the cost of the service equally  
25 among the tenants of the park or occupants of the dwellings who use the  
26 service, but the prorated charges must not exceed in the aggregate the cost  
27 of the service to the landlord or owner.

28 The landlord or owner of a mobile home park that converts from a master-  
29 metered water system to individual water meters for each mobile home lot  
30 shall not charge or receive any fee, surcharge or rent increase to recover  
31 from his tenants the costs of the conversion. The owner of a company town  
32 that is not equipped with individual water meters shall not convert from the  
33 master-metered water system to individual water meters.

34 3. To the extent *that* the cost of providing *a utility* service to the  
35 common area of a mobile home park or company town can be identified,  
36 the landlord or owner may not recover the cost of ~~service provided by~~ the  
37 utility *service provided* to the common area by directly charging a tenant or  
38 the occupant of a dwelling for those services.

39 4. The landlord of a mobile home park or owner of a company town  
40 may assess and collect a charge to reimburse him for the actual cost of the  
41 service charge he is required to pay to a water utility serving the park or  
42 town. If he collects such a charge, he shall prorate the actual cost of the  
43 service charge to the tenants or occupants of dwellings who use the service.  
44 He shall not collect more than the aggregate cost of the service to him.

45 5. The landlord may assess and collect a service charge ~~for gas and~~  
46 ~~electric utilities~~ from the tenants of the park ~~+~~ *for the provision of gas*  
47 *and electric utility services*, but the amount of the charge must not be more  
48 than the tenants would be required to pay the ~~serving utility~~ *utility or*  
49 *alternative seller providing the service*. The landlord shall:



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1 (a) Keep the money from the service charges in a separate account and  
2 expend it only for federal income taxes which must be paid as a result of  
3 the collection of the service charge, for preventive maintenance or for  
4 repairing or replacing utility lines or equipment when ordered or granted  
5 permission to do so by the commission; and

6 (b) Retain for at least 3 years a complete record of all deposits and  
7 withdrawals of money from the account and file the record with the  
8 commission on or before March 30 of each year.

9 6. Money collected by the landlord or owner for service provided by a  
10 utility *or an alternative seller* to the tenants of a mobile home park or  
11 occupants of the dwellings may not be used to maintain, repair or replace  
12 utility lines or equipment serving the common area of the mobile home  
13 park or company town.

14 7. The owner of a company town who provides a utility service  
15 directly to the occupants of the town may charge the occupants their pro  
16 rata share of his cost of providing that service. Where meters are available,  
17 the pro rata share must be based on meter readings. Where meters are not  
18 available, the owner shall determine a fair allocation which must be  
19 explained in detail to the commission in the reports required by NRS  
20 704.960. The commission may modify the allocation in accordance with its  
21 regulations if it determines the owner's method not to be fair. The  
22 commission shall adopt regulations governing the determination of the  
23 costs which an owner of a company town may recover for providing a  
24 utility service directly to the occupants of that town and the terms and  
25 conditions governing the provision of that service.

26 8. The landlord or owner shall itemize all charges for ~~utilities~~ *utility*  
27 *services* on all bills for rent or occupancy. ~~He~~ *The landlord or owner*  
28 may pass through to the tenant or occupant any increase in a rate for a  
29 utility *service* and shall pass through any decrease in a charge for a utility  
30 *service* as it becomes effective.

31 9. The landlord or owner shall retain for at least 3 years a copy of all  
32 billings for ~~utilities~~ *utility services* made to his tenants or the occupants of  
33 his dwellings and shall make these records available upon request to the  
34 commission for verification of charges made for ~~utilities~~ *utility services*.

35 10. A landlord whose interest in a mobile home park terminates for  
36 any reason shall transfer to his successor in interest any balance remaining  
37 in the account for service charges for utilities. Evidence of the transfer  
38 must be filed with the commission.

39 11. The commission may at any time examine all books and records  
40 which relate to the landlord's or owner's purchase of or billing for a  
41 service provided by a utility *or an alternative seller* if he is charging the  
42 tenants of the mobile home park or occupants of the dwellings for that  
43 service.

44 **Sec. 13.** NRS 461A.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

45 461A.230 1. Each mobile home park constructed after July 1, 1981,  
46 but before October 1, 1989, must provide direct electrical and gas service  
47 from ~~the~~ *a* utility *or an alternative seller* to each lot if those services are  
48 available.



- 1     2. Each mobile home park constructed after October 1, 1989, must  
2 provide direct:  
3     (a) Electrical and gas service from a public utility *or an alternative*  
4 *seller*, or a city, county or other governmental entity which provides  
5 electrical or gas service, to each lot if those services are available.  
6     (b) Water service from a public utility or a city, county or other  
7 governmental entity which provides water service, the provisions of NRS  
8 704.230 notwithstanding, to the park if that service is available.  
9     3. In a county whose population is 400,000 or more, each mobile home  
10 park constructed after October 1, 1995, must provide direct water service,  
11 as provided in paragraph (b) of subsection 2, that is connected to individual  
12 meters for each lot. The individual meters must be installed in compliance  
13 with any uniform design and construction standards adopted by the public  
14 utility or city, county or other governmental entity which provides water  
15 service in the county.  
16     4. *As used in this section, "alternative seller" includes:*  
17     (a) *For electric services, an alternative seller as that term is defined in*  
18 *NRS 704.967; and*  
19     (b) *For gas services, an alternative seller as that term is defined in*  
20 *NRS 704.994.*  
21     **Sec. 14.** 1. This section and section 5 of this act become effective on  
22 July 1, 2001.  
23     2. Sections 1 to 4, inclusive, and 6 to 13, inclusive, of this act become  
24 effective on October 1, 2001.

