

Witness on 3/25:

Michael O'Grady, Legislative Counsel (8:30am)

Comments

- This bill would require public water systems using smart meters to give customers an option to not have them or if they have been installed the option of removing them.
- Different from electric smart meter provision, this bill would allow the public water systems to recoup their costs in a charge to the customer.
- Providing cybersecurity guidance for public water systems and the smart water systems.
- Section 3 of S.213
  - Permit Requirements and Conditions for Public Water Systems
    - If a public water user requires a user of the system to install a meter to measure usage, the public water system may install advanced metering infrastructure provided that the public water system provides written notice to the user indicating that the device will use wireless communication between the device and the public water system. Informing the user of their rights under subdivision 2 and 3
  - Subdivision 2: Allows the user to not have advanced water meter installed provided that the public water system may charge the user for the cost of the device and any additional service charge
  - Subdivision 3: If the device has already been previously installed, allows user to require removal of that previously installed meter