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Research Analysis

The engrossed version of SB 497 modifies the definitions of "excavate" and "design" or "survey" as they relate to the Oklahoma Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Act.

"Excavate" is modified to mean the moving of earth to bury communication lines in a private or public easement or right-of-way when the depth is not greater than 12 inches and within 12 inches of a communications provider terminal.

"Design" or "survey" means a notice to facility operators to provide underground facility information during the design or engineering phase of a project to mitigate potential impact to existing underground facilities.

The measure requires operators to provide underground facilities information within 14 days of receiving a design or survey notice.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 497 expands the definition for "excavate," adds a definition for "design" or "survey" and requires operators to provide underground facilities information within 14 days of a design or survey notice. This measure has no direct fiscal or revenue considerations for the state.

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Other Considerations

None.

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