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## OFFICIAL STATEMENT Senate Approves Bill Promoting Jefferson County Progress

JEFFERSON CITY – The following is a statement from Sen. Bill Alter, R-High Ridge, regarding a bill of his that was this week approved by the Senate.

Senate Bill 1102 allows Jefferson County to adopt ordinances charging utilities to act in a timely manner when the location of their infrastructure along county streets, highways, or roads impedes the progress of local construction projects.

## Sen. Bill Alter:

"Jefferson County should have control over the planning and execution of major projects, such as road expansions or drainage-system modifications. Residents rely on the county government to make improvements in their best interests. But when a utility company's power lines or pipes stand in the way of progress, the utility's potential unwillingness becomes an obstacle. This legislation will ensure that the needs of the community are put before the utility companies' concerns for convenience."

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