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## **Sponsor Statement**

### **HB62**

***“An Act relating to the term of office of directors of telephone or electric cooperatives.”***

Under current statute, director terms can only last up to three years, this bill will change that length to four years. There are a number of reasons for increasing term length. For instance, longer terms would allow fewer board members to be elected annually, providing added continuity and stability to the board. As with any industry, there is always a learning curve when beginning a new position. By increasing term length, you afford the director more time to be productive after this introductory period. The proposed change is permissive, not mandatory in any way.