Introduced by Flood, 19.

1. Insert the following new sections:

Sec. 11. Section 86-316, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2020, is amended to read:

86-316 Sections 86-316 to 86-329 and section 12 of this act shall be known and may be cited as the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act.

Sec. 12. In addition to any other applicable penalties provided under the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act or the rules and regulations adopted and promulgated under such act, the commission shall withhold support from any telecommunications company that receives support from the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund as follows:

1. For any service outage that disrupts telecommunications service to ten thousand or more customers, one thousand dollars of support for each minute in duration of such outage; and

2. For any service outage that disrupts telecommunications service to a public safety answering point as defined in section 86-431, five thousand dollars of support for each minute in duration of such outage.

2. Renumber the remaining section accordingly.