

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

April 1, 2026
Date

Committee on Transportation & Energy.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB26-1081 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 6, line 4, strike "(7) and (8)" and substitute
2 "(7), (8), and (9)".

3 Page 6, line 14, strike "IDENTIFY" and substitute "FOR UTILITIES SUBJECT
4 TO RATE REGULATION BY THE COMMISSION, IDENTIFY".

5 Page 6, strike line 17 and substitute "CONSIDERING, AFTER EVALUATING
6 WHETHER APPLICABLE, THE USE OF BONDS ISSUED BY THE COLORADO
7 ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION".

8 Page 8, after line 26 insert:

9 "(9) (a) IN AMENDING ITS RULES PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (6) OF
10 THIS SECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL SEEK TO MINIMIZE DUPLICATION OF
11 TRANSMISSION PLANNING PROCESSES, TECHNICAL STUDIES, OR ANALYSES
12 CONDUCTED THROUGH AN APPLICABLE REGIONAL TRANSMISSION
13 ORGANIZATION OR INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR. IN DOING SO, THE
14 COMMISSION MAY ALLOW A UTILITY TO REFERENCE AND INCORPORATE
15 ANALYSES CONDUCTED THROUGH AN APPLICABLE REGIONAL
16 TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATION OR INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR, AS
17 APPROPRIATE, AND TO RELY ON THESE ANALYSES TO SATISFY THE
18 REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION TO THE EXTENT THAT THE ANALYSES
19 ADDRESS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

20 (b) A UTILITY RELYING ON ANALYSES CONDUCTED THROUGH AN
21 APPLICABLE REGIONAL TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATION OR INDEPENDENT
22 SYSTEM OPERATOR SHALL IDENTIFY IN THE UTILITY'S FILING THE SECTION
23 OF EACH ANALYSIS THAT ADDRESSES THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE
24 ADVANCED TRANSMISSION TECHNOLOGIES EVALUATION SET FORTH IN

1 SUBSECTION (6)(d) OF THIS SECTION AND THE RELEVANCE OF THE
2 ANALYSIS TO THOSE REQUIREMENTS.

3 (c) PARTICIPATION IN A REGIONAL TRANSMISSION PLANNING
4 PROCESS DOES NOT BY ITSELF SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF COMMISSION
5 RULES AMENDED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (6) OF THIS SECTION."

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