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

HB18-1428 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

Amend printed bill, page 6, after line 7 insert:

"SECTION 3. Appropriation. (1) For the 2018-19 state fiscal year, $67,498 is appropriated to the department of regulatory agencies for use by the public utilities commission. This appropriation is from the public utilities commission fixed utility fund created in section 40-2-114 (1)(b), C.R.S. To implement this act, the commission may use this appropriation as follows:

(a) $62,225 for personal services, which amount is based on an assumption that the commission will require an additional 0.6 FTE; and

(b) $5,273 for operating expenses.".

Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

Page 1, line 103, strike "COMMUNITY." and substitute "COMMUNITY, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.".