Committee on Appropriations.

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

SB21-272 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

Amend reengrossed bill, page 12, after line 5 insert:

"SECTION 11. Appropriation - adjustments to House Bill 21-1269. (1) To implement this act, appropriations made in H.B. 21-1269 for the 2021-22 state fiscal year to the department of regulatory agencies for use by the public utilities commission are adjusted as follows:
   (a) The general fund appropriation for personal services is decreased by $41,391, and the related FTE is decreased by 0.5 FTE; and
   (b) The general fund appropriation for operating expenses is decreased by $7,010.

SECTION 12. Appropriation - adjustments to Senate Bill 21-108. (1) To implement this act, appropriations made in S.B. 21-108 for the 2021-22 state fiscal year to the department of regulatory agencies are adjusted as follows:
   (a) The general fund appropriation for use by the public utilities commission for personal services is decreased by $264,878, and the related FTE is decreased by 3.7 FTE;
   (b) The general fund appropriation for use by the public utilities commission for operating expenses is decreased by $105,400; and
   (c) The general fund appropriation for the purchase of legal services is decreased by $53,170.

(2) To implement this act, the reappropriated funds appropriation made in S.B. 21-108 for the 2021-22 state fiscal year to the department of law is decreased by $53,170, and the related FTE is decreased by 0.3 FTE."
SECTION 13. Appropriation. (1) For the 2021-22 state fiscal year, $48,391 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)(II), C.R.S. To implement this act, the commission may use this appropriation for the implementation of H.B. 21-1269 as follows:

(a) $41,381 for personal services, which amount is based on an assumption that the commission will require an additional 0.5 FTE; and
(b) $7,010 for operating expenses.

(2) For the 2021-22 state fiscal year, $500,000 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)(II), C.R.S. To implement this act, the commission may use this appropriation for the implementation of S.B. 21-072.

(3) For the 2021-22 state fiscal year, $423,448 is appropriated to the department of regulatory agencies. This appropriation is from the public utilities commission fixed utility fund created in section 40-2-114 (1)(b)(II), C.R.S. To implement this act, the department may use this appropriation for the implementation of S.B. 21-108 as follows:

(a) $264,878 for use by the public utilities commission for personal services, which amount is based on an assumption that the commission will require an additional 3.7 FTE;
(b) $105,400 for use by the public utilities commission for operating expenses; and
(c) $53,170 for the purchase of legal services.

(4) For the 2021-22 state fiscal year, $53,170 is appropriated to the department of law. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds received from the department of regulatory agencies under subsection (3)(c) of this section and is based on an assumption that the department of law will require an additional 0.3 FTE. To implement this act, the department of law may use this appropriation to provide legal services for the department of regulatory agencies.

Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

Page 1, line 106 strike "AND".

Page 1, line 107 strike "EXPERTS." and substitute "EXPERTS; AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.".

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