

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

March 20, 2025
Date

Committee on Energy & Environment.

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

HB25-1177 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend page 2, strike line 5 and substitute "(6)(c)(IV), (6)(c)(V), and
2 (6)(c)(VI) as follows:".

3 Page 2, line 7, after "(I)" insert "(A)".

4 Page 2, strike lines 9 and 10 and substitute "THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND
5 must be lower than the rate or".

6 Page 3, line 4, after the period add "AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATE
7 MUST NOT DIRECTLY INCREASE COSTS OF ELECTRIC SERVICE FOR OTHER
8 CUSTOMERS."

9 Page 3, after line 4 insert:

10 "(B) AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATE APPROVED PURSUANT TO
11 THIS SECTION DOES NOT RELIEVE AN INVESTOR-OWNED ELECTRIC UTILITY
12 OF ITS ABILITY TO ACHIEVE COMPLIANCE WITH GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION
13 REDUCTION REQUIREMENTS."

14 Page 5, after line 17 insert:

15 "(V) FOLLOWING A NOTICE PERIOD OF FOURTEEN BUSINESS DAYS
16 AFTER AN INVESTOR-OWNED ELECTRIC UTILITY FILES AN APPLICATION FOR
17 APPROVAL OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATES, AND THE ADDITION OR
18 EXPANSION OF EXISTING LOAD AT A SINGLE LOCATION THAT IS MORE THAN
19 ONE HUNDRED FIFTY MEGAWATTS, THE COMMISSION SHALL APPROVE OR
20 DENY THE APPLICATION WITHIN TWO HUNDRED TEN DAYS AFTER THE
21 EXPIRATION OF THE NOTICE PERIOD."

1 Renumber succeeding subparagraph accordingly.

2 Page 5, line 25, strike "(6)(c)(V)" and substitute "(6)(c)(VI)".

3 Page 7, strike lines 20 through 25 and substitute:

4 (c) "SOCIETAL ECONOMIC BENEFIT TEST" MEANS A TEST THAT
5 TAKES INTO ACCOUNT:
6 (I) THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS RECEIVED BY ALL CUSTOMER CLASSES
7 SERVED BY THE UTILITY; AND
8 (II) THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS, INCLUDING:
9 (A) THE TOTAL NET LOCAL AND STATE TAXES TO BE PAID BY THE
10 QUALIFYING COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMER;
11 (B) THE AMOUNT OF FULL-TIME JOBS CREATED; AND
12 (C) OTHER ECONOMIC GROWTH, BENEFITS, OR BOTH BROUGHT TO
13 THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY THAT RESULT FROM SERVING A
14 QUALIFYING COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMER WITH AN ECONOMIC
15 DEVELOPMENT RATE."

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