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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors: Sen. Fields; Rodriguez **Bill Status:** Senate Transportation & Energy
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Bill Topic: **UTILITY VENDORS REPORT BEST VALUE METRICS**

Summary of Fiscal Impact: State Revenue TABOR Refund
 State Expenditure Local Government
 State Transfer Statutory Public Entity

The bill requires utilities to submit certain employment metrics to the Public Utilities Commission. It minimally increases state workload in beginning in FY 2023-24.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, as recommended by the Legislative Audit Committee.

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) in the Department of Regulatory Agencies to promulgate rules requiring utilities to collect and submit information about certain employment metrics. The PUC must submit a report to the General Assembly by the end of each year beginning in 2024 summarizing the information it received.

The bill repeals an existing performance audit requirement, as the audit has been completed.

State Expenditures

The bill increases workload for the PUC to promulgate rules in FY 2023-24. This is expected to be accomplished within the commission’s ordinary course of business, and no change in appropriations is required. If additional legal services hours are required, they will be addressed through the annual budget process. Legal services for rulemaking are provided by the Department of law.

Workload for the PUC will increase beginning in FY 2024-25 to support utilities with compliance, and to compile and submit the annual report to the legislature. This workload is expected to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

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