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**HB17-1225**

**FINAL  
FISCAL NOTE**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  State  Local  Statutory Public Entity  Conditional  No Fiscal Impact

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**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. Hansen  
Sen. Baumgardner

**Bill Status:** Postponed Indefinitely  
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**BILL TOPIC:** ELEC REGIONAL TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATION HEARING

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue		
State Expenditures	Minimal workload increase.	
Appropriation Required: None.		
Future Year Impacts: None.		

**NOTE: This bill was not enacted into law; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.**

**Summary of Legislation**

This bill directs the Transportation Legislation Review Committee (TLRC) to study the effects that participation in a regional transmission organization (RTO) by Colorado retail electric service providers would have on:

- retail or wholesale electric service providers that participate in the RTO;
- any providers that do not participate in the RTO; and
- Colorado's electricity markets.

This bill defines an RTO as an independent electric transmission operator providing wholesale transmission services to more than one retail or wholesale electric service provider within a region, which pools transmission assets into a single electricity transmission market from which participating retail electric service providers may purchase wholesale transmission services.

**State Expenditures**

In FY 2017-18, there will be a minimal workload increase for the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to provide information to the TLRC as it studies the participation of electric service providers in an RTO; this workload can be accomplished within existing appropriations. The study will occur as part of the regularly scheduled committee meetings in the 2017 interim. As such, no additional resources are required for the legislative service agencies that staff the TLRC.

**Effective Date**

The bill was postponed indefinitely by the Legislative Council Committee on April 28, 2017.

**State and Local Government Contacts**

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