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SB17-271

**FINAL
FISCAL NOTE**

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

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Cooke
Rep. Pabon

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Bill Status: Signed into Law
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BILL TOPIC: INVESTOR-OWNED UTILITY COST RECOVERY TRANSPARENCY

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

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to evaluate investor-owned utilities' current service extension policies for serving new load applications through a non-adjudicatory proceeding, with exceptions for gas-only utilities. During the proceeding, which must take place by February 2018, the PUC is required to consider certain general load extension procedures, equitable allocation of costs, and variables that affect time lines. Within 90 days after the conclusion of the proceeding, the PUC may promulgate rules related to the findings.

State Expenditures

In FY 2017-18 only, workload will minimally increase for the PUC to evaluate service extension policies and potentially promulgate rules. This workload can be accomplished within the regular workload of the PUC, and no change in appropriations is required.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on June 2, 2017, and became effective on August 9, 2017. It applies to all applications filed on or after this date.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties Municipalities Regulatory Agencies