



Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note
NO FISCAL IMPACT

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Veiga
Rep. Frangas

Bill Status: Senate Business Labor & Technology
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TITLE: CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE NEEDS OF LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS WHEN SETTING UTILITY RATES FOR ENERGY.

Summary of Assessment

This bill authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to determine rates and practices for gas and electric service that account for the needs of low-income utility customers. "Low-income utility customer" is defined as a household with income at or below 185 percent of the federal poverty level.

- For a one-person household, the income level would be \$18,130.
- For a family of four, the income level would be \$37,000.

The bill becomes effective upon signature of the Governor.

This bill will not affect state or local government revenue or expenditures, and is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Departments Contacted

Regulatory Agencies

Revenue

Human Services