State Corporation Commission 2025 General Assembly Session State Fiscal Impact Statement

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number:HB1822Patron:ReidBill Title:Electric utilities; construction of electrical transmission lines; advanced conductors.

Bill Summary: Requires Phase I and Phase II Utilities to use advanced conductors, as defined in the bill, in the construction of any electrical transmission line of 230 kilovolts or more, any electrical transmission line replacing an existing electrical transmission line of 69 kilovolts or more that has reached its scheduled replacement date, and any electrical transmission line of 69 kilovolts or more constructed as a weather-related replacement, as long as the use of such advanced conductors does not delay the prompt restoration of power to consumers.

The bill provides that for any application submitted on or after January 1, 2026, the State Corporation Commission shall not approve the construction of any electrical transmission line of 230 kilovolts or more unless such line is constructed using advanced conductors. The bill has a delayed effective date of January 1, 2026.

Budget Amendment Necessary:NoItems Impacted:NoneExplanation:Not applicable

Fiscal Summary: None

General Fund Expenditure Impact: None

Nongeneral Fund Expenditure Impact: None

Position Impact: None

Fiscal Analysis: The Commission can carry out the requirements in the bill with existing resources. This bill is not anticipated to materially impact the work of the State Corporation Commission.

Other: None