

**FINAL  
FISCAL NOTE**

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**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. Conti  
Sen. Williams S.

**Bill Status:** Postponed Indefinitely

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**TITLE:** CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE TRANSPARENCY OF PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION BY REQUIRING THE COMMISSION TO REPORT ANNUALLY TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGARDING MATTERS DISCUSSED ON THE RECORD IN ENERGY RATE CASES.

<b>Fiscal Impact Summary</b>	<b>FY 2012-2013</b>	<b>FY 2013-2014</b>
<b>State Revenue</b>		
<b>State Expenditures</b>		
<b>FTE Position Change</b>		
<b>Effective Date:</b> The bill was postponed indefinitely by the Senate Committee on State, Veterans and Military Affairs on March 21, 2012.		
<b>Appropriation Summary for FY 2012-2013:</b> None required.		
<b>Local Government Impact:</b> None.		

**Summary of Legislation**

This bill requires the Director of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to present an annual report to the Joint House and Senate Transportation Committee regarding energy utility rate cases (rate cases) heard before the PUC in the past two years. The report must include the disposition of each rate case, the amount of any rate change expressed as a percentage of the total amount billed to ratepayers per month and per year, and the dollar amount of the average change in monthly bill paid by each class of energy utility ratepayer. Only matters addressed within the scope of the evidence and testimony presented in a rate case hearing are to be reported. The report must also be provided electronically.

**State Expenditures**

The bill requires the PUC to develop an annual report. The information required in the report is readily available and is expected to only be four to eight utility rate cases per reporting period. As such, the report can be compiled with minimal extra workload and within existing appropriations.

**Departments Contacted**

Regulatory Agencies