

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable George "Buddy" West, Chair, House Committee on Energy Resources

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB471** by West, George "Buddy" (Relating to the authority of a gas utility to implement a rate change by posting a bond.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would provide that the Railroad Commission has authority to approve a gas utility's request to implement higher rates throughout the territory affected by a proposed change. The bill is not expected to result in any significant increase in costs to the Railroad Commission.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 455 Railroad Commission

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