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TO: Honorable John Carona, Chair, Senate Committee on Business & Commerce

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

IN RE: SB1309 by Hinojosa (Relating to rate adjustments by gas utilities.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would authorize the Railroad Commission or a municipal regulatory authority to approve gas utility service rate adjustments based on changes in a gas utility's revenues, expenses, or investments. The bill would also provide that the Railroad Commission shall presume reasonable any tariff or rate schedule to which a gas utility and a municipality agree.

Passage of the bill is not expected to result in any significant 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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