

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. NO.: 4630-01  
BILL NO.: HB 2111  
SUBJECT: Utilities; Water Resources and Water Districts  
TYPE: Original  
DATE: March 24, 2000

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2001</b>	<b>FY 2002</b>	<b>FY 2003</b>
None	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2001</b>	<b>FY 2002</b>	<b>FY 2003</b>
None	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2001</b>	<b>FY 2002</b>	<b>FY 2003</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses  
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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development - Public Service Commission (PSC)** and the **Department of Economic Development - Office of Public Counsel (OPC)** assume the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on their agencies.

Officials from the **Columbia Water and Light (COL)** assume this proposal would have no fiscal impact on its agency. COL is not a corporation and would not be covered by this law. But even so, the municipality of Columbia does not have any service areas or water plants that are not physically interconnected by water transmission mains.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small businesses could have a direct fiscal impact as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This bill prohibits any water corporation providing water service in one or more geographically separate service areas that are not physically interconnected by water transmission mains to charge any ratepayer in a service area for costs associated with any water plant that is not physically located within that ratepayer's service area. This practice is declared unlawful as is any cost allocation methodology that achieves a materially similar result.

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DESCRIPTION (continued)

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

This proposal would not affect Total State Revenues.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Economic Development - Public Service Commission  
Department of Economic Development - Office of Public Counsel  
Columbia Water and Light



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