

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
FISCAL NOTE**

BILL NO. House Bill 1281

PRINTER'S NO. 1644

AMOUNT

\$63,090,000

FUND

General Fund Restricted Revenue Account

DATE INTRODUCED

April 30, 2013

PRIME SPONSOR

Representative Adolph

HISTORY OF BILL

Referred to APPROPRIATIONS, April 30, 2013
Reported as committed, June 10, 2013
First consideration, June 10, 2013
Re-committed to RULES, June 10, 2013
Re-reported as committed, June 19, 2013
Second consideration, June 19, 2013
Re-committed to APPROPRIATIONS, June 19, 2013
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Third consideration and final passage, June 27, 2013 (199-0)
In the Senate
Referred to APPROPRIATIONS, June 28, 2013
Reported as committed, June 28, 2013

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL

House Bill 1281 appropriates \$63,090,000 in state funds from the restricted revenue account within the General Fund and \$4,907,000 in federal funds to the Public Utility Commission ("PUC") for its operations for fiscal year 2013-14. The PUC is funded by assessments of public utilities.

The FY 2013-14 federal appropriation of \$4,907,000 consists of \$2,819,000 for natural gas pipeline safety, \$1,888,000 for motor carrier safety, and \$200,000 for Electric Regulatory Assistance under ARRA.

House Bill 1281 reflects the Governor's recommended FY 2013-14 budget of \$63,090,000 for the PUC. This is a \$2,692,000 increase (4.5%) over the FY 2012-13 appropriation.

The legislation also includes a FY 2012-13 supplemental appropriation of federal funds in the amount of \$350,000 for ARRA – Electric Regulatory Assistance.

This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, or immediately, whichever is later.