

**SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
FISCAL NOTE**

**BILL NO.** Senate Bill 819

**PRINTER NO.** 1083

**AMOUNT**

\$69,640,000

\$3,061,000

**FUND**

General Fund Restricted Revenue Account

Federal Funds

**DATE INTRODUCED**

May 8, 2015

**PRIME SPONSOR**

Senator Hughes

**DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL**

Senate Bill 819 appropriates \$69,640,000 in state funds from the restricted revenue account within the General Fund and \$3,061,000 in federal funds to the Public Utility Commission ("PUC") for its operations for fiscal year 2015-16. The PUC is funded by assessments on public utilities.

The fiscal year 2015-16 federal appropriation of \$3,061,000 consists of \$2,095,000 for natural gas pipeline safety and \$966,000 for motor carrier safety.

This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, or immediately, whichever is later.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Senate Bill 819 reflects the Governor's Executive Budget recommended fiscal year 2015-16 state funds appropriation of \$69,640,000 for the PUC, which is an increase of \$5,069,000, or 7.8%, compared with the fiscal year 2014-15 appropriation of \$64,571,000. The federal funds appropriation of \$3,061,000 is reduced by \$724,000 from fiscal year 2014-15.