STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS28678 / S1141

This is the FY 2022 original appropriation bill for the Public Utilities Commission. It appropriates a total of \$6,709,600 and caps the number of authorized full-time equivalent positions at 49.00.

For benefit costs, the bill maintains the current appropriated amount for health insurance at \$11,650 per eligible FTP, extends the holiday for the employer's sick leave contribution rate for another year, and restores funding for the employer's unemployment insurance contribution rate. Funding for replacement items includes \$49,000 for software licenses and maintenance, laptops, and network switches. The bill also provides funding for the equivalent of a 2% change in employee compensation for permanent state employees and a 2% upward shift in the compensation schedule. The bill funds two line items, which provide \$8,200 for a 2% change in employee compensation for the three full-time commissioners; and a reduction of \$40,000 due to decreased rent charges at the Chinden Campus.

FISCAL NOTE

	FTP	Gen	Ded	Fed	Total
FY 2021 Original Appropriation	49.00	0	6,217,600	336,600	6,554,200
Removal of Onetime Expenditures	0.00	0	(44,800)	0	(44,800)
FY 2022 Base	49.00	0	6,172,800	336,600	6,509,400
Benefit Costs	0.00	0	14,100	600	14,700
Replacement Items	0.00	0	49,000	0	49,000
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	0	95,400	0	95,400
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	0	68,300	4,600	72,900
FY 2022 Program Maintenance	49.00	0	6,399,600	341,800	6,741,400
1. Commissioner CEC	0.00	5 0	8,200	0	8,200
2. Chinden Rent Rate Reduction	0.00	0	(40,000)	0	(40,000)
FY 2022 Total	49.00	0	6,367,800	341,800	6,709,600
Chg from FY 2021 Orig Approp	0.00	0	150,200	5,200	155,400
% Chg from FY 2021 Orig Approp.	0.0%		2.4%	1.5%	2.4%

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