State Corporation Commission 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB949	
	House of Origin	
	Second House	
2.	Patron: Hugo	
3.	Committee: Passed Both Houses	
4.	Title: Natural gas utilities; upstream supply infrastructure projects.	
5.	Summary: Natural gas utilities; upstream supply infrastructure projects. Authorizes a natural gas utility to recover eligible costs of eligible natural gas supply infrastructure projects. A plan for recovery of such costs may provide the utility with an option to receive the gas or sell the gas at market prices. The measure also (i) provides that the transportation of natural gas by pipeline, without providing service to end users within the territory, shall not be considered operating in the territory of another certificate holder; (ii) bars the State Corporation Commission from approving the construction of a natural gas compressor station in an area without the locality's certification only if the area is zoned exclusively for residential use; and (iii) expands the definition of a strategic natural gas facility to include a natural gas transmission company that adds design day deliverability or designed send out of at least 100,000 dekaTherms per day in the aggregate.	n
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No	
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final; no fiscal impact on the State Corporation Commission	
8.	Fiscal Implications: None on the State Corporation Commission	
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Corporation Commission	
10.	Technical Amendment Necessary: No	
11.	Other Comments: Also see Senate Bill 519.	
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