

## State Corporation Commission 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB85

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Garrett

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title:** Public utility; regulation of rates and service, procedure of the State Corporation Commission.

**5. Summary:** Regulation of water and sewer utilities. Makes water and sewer companies subject to the rules of the State Corporation Commission (SCC) regarding meetings and communications between SCC commissioners and any party, or between commissioners and staff, concerning any fact or issue arising out of a proceeding involving the regulation of rates, charges, services, or facilities of a utility. The bill requires a public utility to send notice of a proposed rate increase electronically to customers who receive bills electronically. Every public utility providing water or sewer service is required to publish notice of changes in rates, tolls, charges, rules and regulations at least once in one or more newspapers in circulation in its franchise area. The measure bars the SCC from dispensing with notice requirements applicable to water and sewer companies.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** None

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** 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:** None