

## State Corporation Commission 2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB723

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

**2. Patron:** Reid

**3. Committee:** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title:** Underground pipelines and electrical transmission lines; agriculture.

**5. Summary:** Requires a utility company installing an underground pipeline or conduit with an inside diameter greater than 12 inches or an underground electric transmission or distribution line of greater than 115 kV in capacity to mitigate the effects of the project if the project disturbs 10,000 square feet or more of agricultural land. The bill directs the State Corporation Commission to adopt regulations requiring the utility company to remove topsoil from the planned construction site and either redistribute it to graded areas elsewhere on the land of the affected property owner or store it nearby, protected from erosion and compaction, for later redistribution on the disturbed area.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** None 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:** No.

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