State Corporation Commission 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: HB587
	House of Origin
	Second House
2.	Patron: Merricks
3.	Committee: Passed Both Houses
1.	Title: Electric transmission lines; approval process.
5.	Summary: Electric transmission lines; approval process. Eliminates the requirement that an electric transmission line of 138 kV obtain State Corporation Commission approval, based on findings that the line is needed and that its corridor or route will reasonably minimize adverse impact on the scenic assets, historic districts, and environment of the area concerned, if a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the line is not required. The measure provides that such a certificate is not required for such a line if the public utility has obtained approval pursuant to requirements regarding local planning commission approval of the comprehensive plan and applicable local zoning ordinances by the locality or localities in which the transmission line will be located.
5.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No
7.	Fiscal Impact Estimates: No fiscal impact on the State Corporation Commission. Final.
3.	Fiscal Implications: None on the State Corporation Commission
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: State Corporation Commission; Local Governments
10	. Technical Amendment Necessary: No
11	. Other Comments: This is a companion bill to Senate Bill 418
	Date: 2/20/12 TEL