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MEMORANDUM

TO: Rules Review Subcommittee of the Senate State Affairs Committee and the House State Affairs Committee
FROM: Deputy Division Manager - Katharine Gerrity
DATE: October 31, 2023
SUBJECT: Public Utilities Commission

IDAPA 31.12.01 - Systems of Accounts for Public Utilities Regulated by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (ZBR Chapter Rewrite) - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 31-1201-2301)

IDAPA 31.21.01 - Customer Relations Rules for Gas, Electric, and Water Public Utilities (The Utility Customer Relations Rules) (ZBR Chapter Rewrite) - Proposed Rule (Docket No. 31-2101-2301)

1. IDAPA 31.12.01 - Systems of Accounts for Public Utilities Regulated by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission

Summary and Stated Reasons for the Rule

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission submits notice of proposed rule at IDAPA 31.12.01 - Systems of Accounts for Public Utilities Regulated by the Idaho Public Utilities. According to the commission, the rule-making is made pursuant to the Governor's executive order relating to zero-based regulation. The commission states that the goal of the rulemaking is to perform a critical and comprehensive review of the entire chapter in an attempt to reduce overall regulatory burden, streamline various provisions, and increase clarity and ease of use.

Negotiated Rulemaking / Fiscal Impact

The commission notes that negotiated rulemaking was conducted and there is no fiscal impact to the general fund as a result of the rulemaking.

Statutory Authority

The rulemaking appears to be authorized pursuant to Section 61-524, Idaho Code.

2. IDAPA 31.21.01 - Customer Relations Rules for Gas, Electric, and Water Public Utilities (The Utility Customer Relations Rules)

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The Idaho Public Utilities Commission submits notice of proposed rule at IDAPA 31.21.01 - Customer Relations Rules for Gas, Electric, and Water Public Utilities (The Utility Customer Relations Rules). According to the commission, the rulemaking is made pursuant to the Governor's executive order relating to zero-based regulation. The commission states that the goal of the rulemaking is to perform a critical and comprehensive review of the entire chapter in an attempt to reduce overall regulatory burden, streamline various provisions, and increase clarity and ease of use.

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The commission notes that negotiated rulemaking was conducted and there is no fiscal impact to the general fund as a result of the rulemaking.

Statutory Authority

The rulemaking appears to be authorized pursuant to Sections 61-301, 61-302, 61-303, 61-315, 61-503, 61-507, and 61-520, Idaho Code.

cc: Public Utilities Commission
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***** PLEASE NOTE *****

Per the Idaho Constitution, all administrative rules may be reviewed by the Legislature during the next legislative session. The Legislature has 3 options with this rulemaking docket: **1)** Approve the docket in its entirety; **2)** Reject the docket in its entirety; or **3)** Reject the docket in part.