## HB1238 L.007

## HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AMENDMENT Committee on Energy & Environment.

HB21-1238 be amended as follows:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 6, line 18, strike "and (3);" and substitute "(3),
- 2 and (5);".

- 3 Page 10, after line 1 insert:
  - "(5) (a) The commission shall authorize each gas utility to recover moneys MONEY spent for education programs, impact and process evaluations, and program planning related to natural gas DSM programs offered by the gas utility without having to show that such expenditures, on an independent basis, are cost-effective. The commission may limit the amount spent for these activities.
  - (b) (I) Upon petition by a regulated gas utility, the commission shall remove disincentives to the implementation of effective gas DSM programs through the adoption of a rate adjustment mechanism that ensures that the revenue per customer approved by the commission in a general rate case proceeding is recovered by the gas utility without regard to the quantity of natural gas actually sold by the gas utility after the date the rate took effect. The commission shall separately calculate, for the rate class or classes to which a rate adjustment mechanism applies, the regulatory disincentives removed through that mechanism and collected or refunded by the gas utility through a tariff rider.
  - (II) REMOVING DISINCENTIVES THROUGH A RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5)(b)(I) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT PRECLUDE A GAS UTILITY FROM RECEIVING A BONUS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2)(d) OF THIS SECTION.
  - (III) THE COMMISSION SHALL NOT REDUCE A GAS UTILITY'S RETURN ON EQUITY BASED SOLELY ON APPROVAL OF A RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (5)(b)(I) OF THIS SECTION.".

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