

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 310

BY REPRESENTATIVE CONNICK

PUBLIC SERVICE COMN: Provides relative to the authority of the Public Service Commission regarding pass-through charges

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 45:1163.2(G), relative to the Louisiana Public Service Commission; to
3 authorize the commission to adjust the fuel adjustment charge of an electric utility;
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 45:1163.2(G) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §1163.2. Establishment of rates

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9 G. To ensure that costs passed through to consumers are just and reasonable,
10 and after exercise of its authorized review and determination, the Public Service
11 Commission may exercise its control and rate fixing authority to adjust fuel
12 adjustment charges of an electric utility as assessed by an electric utility to rate-
13 paying consumers through operation of the utility's fuel adjustment clause.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes the Louisiana Public Service Commission (LPSC) to adjust the fuel adjustment charge of an electric utility.

Present law provides for an electric utility's use of an authorized fuel adjustment clause to recoup from rate-paying customers the ongoing, actual costs of fuel and energy generation. Proposed law retains present law.

To ensure just and reasonable fuel adjustment charges to rate-paying customers, proposed law authorizes the LPSC to adjust the fuel adjustment charge of an electric utility that assesses recoupment charges through operation of an authorized fuel adjustment clause.

(Adds R.S. 45:1163.2(G))