

BDR 58-1036 AB 425

EXECUTIVE AGENCY FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: March 30, 2023

Agency Submitting: Public Utilities Commission of Nevada

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2022-23	Fiscal Year 2023-24	Fiscal Year 2024-25	Effect on Future Biennia
CAT 01 - Personnel (Expense)		\$62,524	\$83,307	\$166,614
CAT 05 - Equipment (Expense)		\$7,716		
CAT 26 - Information Systems (Expense)		\$4,442	\$751	\$1,502
CAT 04 - Operating (Expense)		\$27,745	\$175	\$350
Total	0	\$102,427	\$84,233	\$168,466

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

BDR 58-1036 will require the PUCN to employ one quarter-time unclassified Sr. Attorney (EA) (U3811) and one quarter-time unclassified Financial Analyst (EA) (U4406). The PUCN budget is funded primarily through an annual regulatory assessment (mill rate) levied against public utilities in the state for which receive recovery from their ratepayers. Pursuant to NRS 704.033, the PUCN is required to notify utilities of the annual assessment by June 15 of each year for the following fiscal year. The statutory maximum assessment is 3.5 mills. The fiscal impact would raise the annual regulatory assessment by .02 mills (0.00002) in FY24 and FY25 which will have no impact on the monthly residential ratepayer.

Name Breanne Potter

Title Commission Secretary

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF FINANCE COMMENTS

The agency's response appears to be reasonable.

Date Thursday, March 30, 2023

Name Amy Stephenson

Title Director

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Estimated Costs of \$186,660 for the Biennium
March 29, 2023

SUMMARY

The proposed statute will require the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada ("PUCN") to engage in the following activities:

SECTION 12 will require the PUCN to develop and adopt regulations that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act. More specifically:

The PUCN estimates at a minimum 7 days of workshops and 3 days of hearings would be needed to develop and adopt regulations that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act. Operating expenses estimated at \$27,614 for the biennium.

SECTION 15 will require auditing by the PUCN. This will require the PUCN to employ one quarter-time unclassified Sr. Attorney (EA) (U3811) and one quarter-time unclassified Financial Analyst (EA) (U4406). Personnel and associated costs estimated at \$159,046 for the biennium.

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Fiscal Impact of BDR 58-1036

	<u>FY 2024</u> <i>Eff 10/01/23</i>	<u>FY 2025</u>	<u>Future Biennia</u>
<u>Category 01 - Personnel</u>			
1/4 Sr Attorney (EA) (U3811)			
FY 2024 Salaries \$ (effective 10/01/2023)	\$ 22,790		\$ 60,774
FY 2025 Salaries \$		\$ 30,387	
FY 2024 Benefits \$ (effective 10/01/2023)	\$ 11,732		\$ 31,228
FY 2025 Benefits \$		\$ 15,614	
1/4 Financial Analyst (EA) (U4406)			
FY 2024 Salaries \$ (effective 10/01/2023)	\$ 17,413		\$ 46,434
FY 2025 Salaries \$		\$ 23,217	
FY 2024 Benefits \$ (effective 10/01/2023)	\$ 10,589		\$ 28,178
FY 2025 Benefits \$		\$ 14,089	
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<u>TOTAL CATEGORY 01 - PERSONNEL</u>	\$ 62,524	\$ 83,307	\$ 166,614
<u>Category 05 - Equipment</u>			
<i>GL 8241 - New Furnishings Carson City/Las Vegas Offices:</i>			
FY 2024 - 2 Executive Units @ \$3,858	\$ 7,716	\$ -	\$ -
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<u>TOTAL CATEGORY 05 - EQUIPMENT</u>	\$ 7,716	\$ -	\$ -
<u>Category 26 - Information Services</u>			
<i>GL 8371 - Computer Hardware under \$5,000</i>			
FY 2024 - 2 Desktop PC and software @ \$1,939	\$ 3,878	\$ -	\$ -
Business Productivity Suite @ \$31.31 per employee per month	\$ 564	\$ 751	\$ 1,502
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<u>TOTAL CATEGORY 26 - INFORMATION SERVICES</u>	\$ 4,442	\$ 751	\$ 1,502
<u>Category 04 - Operating</u>			
FY 2024 - Noticing Publication Costs	\$ 552		
FY 2024 - Court Reporter Fees	\$ 2,800		
FY 2024 - Transcripts	\$ 19,500		
FY 2024 - Postage, Copying, Mailing	\$ 2,762		
FY 2024 - LCB Legal Review	\$ 2,000		
State Phone Line @ \$7.29 per employee per month	\$ 131	\$ 175	\$ 350
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<u>TOTAL CATEGORY 04 - Operating</u>	\$ 27,745	\$ 175	\$ 350

TOTALS	\$ 102,427	\$ 84,233	\$ 168,466
TOTAL COSTS FOR THE BIENNIUM		<u>\$ 186,660</u>	