



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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(As Introduced)

Reps. Johnson and Smith

BILL SUMMARY

- Permits a public utility electric light company to recover, as a reasonable arrangement, the costs of an economic and job retention program from all public utility electric light customers in Ohio.
 - Prohibits the Public Utilities Commission from approving any application for, or modification or extension of, any schedule or arrangement to recover costs incurred in conjunction with any economic development and job retention program after January 1, 2018.
 - Specifies that any such schedule or arrangement may continue in effect after that date for any period previously approved by the Commission.
 - Requires any financial device to recover costs in conjunction with any economic development and job retention program established and approved as a reasonable arrangement prior to the bill's effective date to continue in effect in accordance with the terms of that device, unless altered, changed, or modified by the Commission.
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CONTENT AND OPERATION

Cost recovery for economic development and job retention program

The bill permits a public utility electric light company to file a schedule or establish or enter into a reasonable arrangement to recover costs incurred in conjunction with any economic development and job retention program of the utility from all public utility electric light company customers in Ohio, including recovery of revenue foregone as a result of any such program. Under current law, a public utility electric

light company may recover costs incurred in conjunction with such a program only "within its certified territory."¹

Approval period

The bill prohibits the Public Utilities Commission from approving any application for, or modification or extension of, any schedule or arrangement to recover costs incurred in conjunction with any economic development and job retention program after January 1, 2018. The bill specifies that any such schedule or arrangement may continue in effect after that date for any period previously approved by the Commission.²

Financial devices in effect prior to the bill's effective date

The bill provides that any financial device to recover costs in conjunction with any economic development and job retention program established and approved as a reasonable arrangement prior to the bill's effective date is to continue in effect in accordance with the terms of that device, unless altered, changed, or modified by the Public Utilities Commission.³

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	10-24-13

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¹ R.C. 4905.31(A)(5)(a)(i).

² R.C. 4905.31(A)(5)(b).

³ Section 3.

