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Version: As Introduced

Primary Sponsor: Sen. Brenner

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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The bill may decrease the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's (PUCO) administrative costs associated with certain public utility regulation as the bill modifies the definition of public utility and prohibits PUCO from adopting certain rules, except for reasons of safety or reliability. Under the bill, a person, business, or other entity that provides, constructs, or installs for customers utility-related service at a point after service provided by a public utility is delivered to the public utility's metered points of delivery at the customers' location (e.g., submetering) is exempted from regulation as a public utility by PUCO. The bill also prohibits PUCO, except for reasons of safety or reliability, from adopting any rule that permits a public utility to set the location of any of its meters so that the meter's location prevents a person, business, or other entity from providing, constructing, or installing utility-related service at a point after the public utility service is delivered to the public utility's metered point of delivery at that location. Please refer to the LSC bill analysis for additional detail about provisions in the bill.

The bill has no direct fiscal effect to local governments.