

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

Source of Funds	FY21 Adjusted Base	FY22 Recommended	% Change Over FY21	FY23 Recommended	% Change Over FY22
GPR	0	77,800,000	0.0	77,800,000	0.0
PR-F	2,834,700	2,980,100	5.1	2,980,100	0.0
PR-O	21,071,800	21,570,100	2.4	21,375,500	-0.9
SEG-O	6,518,000	6,520,500	0.0	6,520,500	0.0
SEG-S	22,000,000	2,000,000	-90.9	2,000,000	0.0
TOTAL	52,424,500	110,870,700	111.5	110,676,100	-0.2

FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION SUMMARY

Source of Funds	FY21 Adjusted Base	FY22 Recommended	FTE Change Over FY21	FY23 Recommended	FTE Change Over FY22
GPR	0.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	0.00
PR-F	11.75	11.75	0.00	11.75	0.00
PR-O	139.00	136.00	-3.00	136.00	0.00
SEG-O	4.00	4.00	0.00	4.00	0.00
TOTAL	154.75	160.25	5.50	160.25	0.00

AGENCY DESCRIPTION

The commission is an independent utility regulatory agency dedicated to serving the public interest. The commission works to ensure that, in the absence of competition, safe, reliable, affordable and environmentally responsible service is provided to utility customers. The types of utilities regulated include electric, natural gas, water, combined water and sewer utilities, and certain aspects of local telephone service. More than 1,100 utilities are under the agency's jurisdiction. Most of these must obtain commission approval before changing rates or service terms, issuing stocks or bonds, or undertaking major construction projects such as power plants, water wells, natural gas distribution facilities and electricity transmission lines. The commission also awards grants related to broadband infrastructure, essential telecommunication services and energy innovation.

The commission is composed of three full-time commissioners who decide the cases brought to the commission for changes in utility operations and rates, and for construction projects after a complete and thorough review of all the records compiled in the case, including public comments. Commissioners are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate for staggered six-year terms. One of these commissioners is appointed chairperson by the Governor for a two-year term. The commissioners' office, under the direction of the chairperson, has oversight of all staff-related activities.

In keeping with its commitment to quality management principles, the commission is organized along regulatory and programmatic lines into four operating divisions: Division of Business Operations and Office Management; Division of Digital Access, Consumer and Environmental Affairs; Division of Energy Regulation and Analysis; and Division of Water Utility Regulation and Analysis. Commission staff consists of auditors, accountants, engineers, rate analysts, attorneys, planners, research analysts, economists, consumer analysts, consumer specialists, court reporters, and paraprofessional and administrative support personnel. These experts work in an advisory role to the commissioners.

The primary function of the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads is to serve as the quasi-judicial agency which determines the public safety and convenience at over 4,300 rail-highway crossings in Wisconsin. The office also retains authority over the rates and services of intrastate water carriers.

The office is attached to the commission for administrative purposes. The office conducts formal investigations and public hearings based on the petition of a highway authority, local government, railroad, water carrier or on the commissioner's own motion. At the end of an investigation, and public hearing if required, the commissioner issues an order on such matters as establishing a new crossing, closing a crossing, altering a crossing, repairing a rough crossing, correcting drainage issues, allowing exemptions for clearances and, most often, installing warning devices. The commissioner's orders are legally binding. The establishment of new crossings, closure of crossings and alteration of crossings all require the commissioner's approval beforehand as does the right to operate as a water carrier.

The office oversees a federal and state funding program that fully funds approximately 20 signal installations per year. The office allocates funding under a signal maintenance program which funds 50 percent of the cost of maintaining signal equipment at about 1,800 rail-highway crossings.

MISSION

The mission of the Public Service Commission is to oversee and facilitate the efficient and fair provision of quality utility services in Wisconsin. The commission ensures safe, reliable, affordable and environmentally responsible utility services and equitable access to telecommunications and broadband services.

The primary mission of the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads is to ensure public safety and convenience in matters involving railroads, especially at rail-highway crossings, through a judiciary process. To fulfill its mission, the office investigates the adequacy of warning devices and the safety of the crossing itself, conducts hearings and issues legally binding orders regarding some 4,300 rail-highway crossings located throughout the state.

PROGRAMS, GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Note: Goals, objectives and activities have been modified.

Program 1: Regulation of Public Utilities

Goal: Ensure safe, reliable, affordable and environmentally responsible energy and water services are provided to Wisconsin's citizens and businesses.

Objective/Activity: Ensure reasonably priced water service is provided to consumers by efficiently processing requests for water rate adjustments under s. 196.20, Wisconsin Statutes, and under the Simplified Rate Case process.

Objective/Activity: Ensure that water, electric and gas rate cases in Wisconsin are completed within 200 days of filing.

Objective/Activity: Ensure water and electric utility construction cases are processed within statutory time lines.

Objective/Activity: Ensure the safety of natural gas pipelines in Wisconsin by monitoring compliance with state and federal regulations through inspection and investigation activities.

Objective/Activity: Ensure that utility customers are not paying costs unrelated to the provision of retail utility service by completing an audit of every holding company once every three years.

Goal: Meet consumers' changing needs in Wisconsin's dynamic and competitive utility industry environment.

Objective/Activity: Thoroughly investigate, resolve and respond to consumer complaints from utility customers in a timely manner.

Objective/Activity: Facilitate consumers' access to competitive telecommunications providers by reviewing and approving Interconnection Agreements (ICAs) and arbitrating or mediating ICAs when providers cannot negotiate one.

Goal: Foster innovative, cost-effective and fiscally responsible water utility administration.

Objective/Activity: Actively engage and educate municipal utilities on the proper administration of utilities.

Objective/Activity: Timely outreach to financially troubled water utilities.

Goal: Continue to identify and address telecommunication needs of low-income households, those residing in high-rate areas of the state and customers with disabilities.

Objective/Activity: Meet demand for purchases of special telecommunications equipment by efficiently processing applications and promptly providing vouchers to approved, eligible disabled persons.

Objective/Activity: Ensure full telecommunications accessibility to citizens who are deaf, hard-of-hearing, deaf-blind and speech-disabled by holding regular Telecommunications Relay Service Council meetings to understand program challenges and successes.

Program 2: Office of the Commissioner of Railroads

Goal: Protect the public by assuring safe rail-highway crossings are maintained in Wisconsin.

Objective/Activity: Improve the safety of rail-highway crossings in Wisconsin by enforcing compliance with state and federal regulations through inspection and investigation activities.

Objective/Activity: Improve the safety of rail-highway crossings in Wisconsin by participation in rail safety promotion activities.

Objective/Activity: Improve public safety at rail-highway crossings by maintaining a signal installation program that schedules signal projects several years in advance.

Objective/Activity: Improve public safety at rail-highway crossings by maintaining a signal maintenance program that provides funds for maintaining active warning devices.

Program 3: Affiliated Grant Programs

Goal: Foster the expansion, adoption and use of broadband technologies in Wisconsin.

Objective/Activity: Update the Wisconsin broadband map every six months.

Goal: Ensure quality broadband, essential telecommunication services and energy innovation are provided in Wisconsin by facilitating the development and administration of related grant programs.

Objective/Activity: Improve the likelihood of successful grant programs by working with grant recipients to ensure grant projects are successfully completed by the end of the grant performance period.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES**2019 AND 2020 GOALS AND ACTUALS**

Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2019	Actual 2019	Goal 2020	Actual 2020
1.	Average time noncontested water rate cases were processed from filing date of application.	200 days	269 days	200 days	260 days
1.	Percent of water Simplified Rate Case dockets where a decision is issued in less than 45 days from filing date of application.	90%	97%	90%	94%
1.	Percent of water utility construction cases where a decision is issued in less than 90 days from the filing date of the application, for cases that do not require a hearing.	100%	100%	100%	100%
1.	Average number of gas pipeline inspection days per inspector. ¹	85 days	85 days	85 days	85 days
1.	Average time noncontested electric rate cases were processed from filing date of application.	200 days	206 days	200 days	254 days
1.	Percent of holding companies audited within the last three years.	100%	100%	100%	100%
1.	Percent of electric and natural gas construction cases where a decision is issued within statutorily-required time lines.	100%	100%	100%	100%
1.	Number of external training sessions given by commission staff to water utilities, including speaking engagements at water industry association meetings.	15	29	15	33
1.	Percent of inquiries and complaints acknowledged within 24 hours.	90%	100%	90%	98%
1.	Percent of interconnection agreement reviews completed within 45 days.	85%	97%	85%	54%

Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2019	Actual 2019	Goal 2020	Actual 2020
1.	Percent of complaints with an informal determination provided within 25 days from the date the utility has provided a complete response.	80%	99%	80%	99%
1.	Average time to process applications for Telecommunications Equipment Purchase Program (TEPP) vouchers.	30 days	12 days	30 days	8 days
1.	Number of Telecommunications Relay Service Council Meetings. ²	2	2	2	2
1., 3.	Percent of grant awards that are completed by the date indicated in the grant agreement.	100%	99%	100%	100%
2.	Number of unique crossing investigations and inspections completed each year.	750	431	750	452
2.	Percent of signal cases investigated within 90 days of notice issued.	90%	100%	90%	100%
2.	Percent of follow-up investigations (i.e., rechecks) conducted within 180 days of completion date.	90%	86%	90%	100%
2.	Percent of signal notices issued within 45 days.	80%	100%	80%	100%
2.	Percent of complaints of an informal, nondocketed nature responded to within 30 days.	85%	97%	85%	92%
2.	Number of external rail safety promotion activities and events conducted by commission staff, including speaking engagements at rail safety meetings and conferences.	4	7	4	7
2.	Allocate signal project funding expenditure for fiscal year.	2022	2022	2023	2023
2.	Number of highway-rail closure hearings and orders issued each year.	2	1	2	2
3.	Frequency of updates to Wisconsin's broadband map.	Every 6 months	> Every 6 months	Every 6 months	> Every 6 months

Note: Based on fiscal year, unless noted.

¹Based on calendar year.

²Performance measure wording has been revised to provide additional clarity and/or consistency.

2021, 2022 AND 2023 GOALS

Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2021	Goal 2022	Goal 2023
1.	Average time noncontested water rate cases were processed from filing date of application.	200 days	200 days	200 days
1.	Percent of water Simplified Rate Cases processed within 45 days from application to Final Decision. ¹	90%	90%	90%
1.	Percent of water construction cases where a decision is issued within statutorily-required timelines. ¹	100%	100%	100%
1.	Average number of gas pipeline inspection days per inspector. ²	85 days	85 days	85 days
1.	Average time noncontested electric and gas rate cases were processed from filing date of application. ¹	200 days	200 days	200 days
1.	Percent of holding companies audited within the last three years.	100%	100%	100%
1.	Percent of electric and natural gas construction cases where a decision is issued within statutorily-required time lines.	100%	100%	100%
1.	Percent of inquiries and complaints acknowledged within 24 hours.	90%	90%	90%
1.	Percent of telecommunications interconnection agreement reviews completed within 45 days. ¹	85%	85%	85%
1.	Percent of complaints with an informal determination provided within 25 days from the date the utility has provided a complete response.	80%	80%	80%
1.	Number of training and outreach sessions, news articles, etc., commission staff provide to water utility staff and stakeholders. ³	20 ³	20	20
1.	Average time to process applications for TEPP vouchers.	30 days	30 days	30 days
1.	Number of Telecommunications Relay Service Council meetings. ¹	2	2	2
1.	Average time to identify and contact financially troubled water utilities, as measured from annual report filing date to commission letter filing date. ⁴	150 days	150 days	150 days
1., 3.	Percent of grant awards for all commission grant programs that are completed by the date indicated in the grant agreement. ¹	100%	100%	100%

Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2021	Goal 2022	Goal 2023
2.	Number of unique crossing investigations and inspections completed each year.	450 ⁵	450	450
2.	Percent of signal cases investigated within 90 days of notice issued.	90%	90%	90%
2.	Percent of follow-up investigations (i.e., rechecks) conducted within 180 days of completion date.	90%	90%	90%
2.	Percent of signal notices issued within 45 days.	80%	80%	80%
2.	Percent of complaints of an informal nondocketed nature responded to within 30 days.	85%	85%	85%
2.	Number of external rail safety promotion activities and events conducted by commission staff, including speaking engagements at rail safety meetings/conferences.	4	4	4
2.	Allocate signal project funding expenditure for fiscal year.	2024	2025	2026
2.	Number of highway-rail closure hearings and orders issued each year.	2	2	2
3.	Frequency of updates to Wisconsin's broadband map.	Every 6 months	Every 6 months	Every 6 months

Note: Based on fiscal year, unless noted.

¹Performance measure wording has been revised to provide additional clarity and/or consistency.

²Based on calendar year.

³Performance measure wording revised to include additional activities and goal increased from 15 to 20.

⁴Reflects a new performance measure for the 2021-23 biennium.

⁵The noted goal was revised for 2021.

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Table 1
Department Budget Summary by Funding Source (in thousands of dollars)

	ACTUAL FY20	ADJUSTED BASE FY21	AGENCY REQUEST FY22	AGENCY REQUEST FY23	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY22	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY23
GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$77,800.0	\$77,800.0
State Operations	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3,006.9	4,859.0
Aids to Ind. & Org.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	74,793.1	72,941.0
FEDERAL REVENUE (1)	\$6,442.1	\$2,834.7	\$2,980.1	\$2,980.1	\$2,980.1	\$2,980.1
State Operations	6,442.1	2,834.7	2,980.1	2,980.1	2,980.1	2,980.1
PROGRAM REVENUE (2)	\$16,505.3	\$21,071.8	\$20,789.0	\$20,789.0	\$21,570.1	\$21,375.5
State Operations	15,952.3	20,229.3	20,246.5	20,246.5	21,027.6	20,833.0
Aids to Ind. & Org.	553.0	842.5	542.5	542.5	542.5	542.5
SEGREGATED REVENUE (3)	\$27,082.0	\$28,518.0	\$6,520.5	\$6,520.5	\$8,520.5	\$8,520.5
State Operations	342.0	578.0	580.5	580.5	580.5	580.5
Aids to Ind. & Org.	26,740.0	27,940.0	5,940.0	5,940.0	7,940.0	7,940.0
TOTALS - ANNUAL	\$50,029.4	\$52,424.5	\$30,289.6	\$30,289.6	\$110,870.7	\$110,676.1
State Operations	22,736.4	23,642.0	23,807.1	23,807.1	27,595.1	29,252.6
Aids to Ind. & Org.	27,293.0	28,782.5	6,482.5	6,482.5	83,275.6	81,423.5

(1) Includes Program Revenue-Federal and Segregated Revenue-Federal

(2) Includes Program Revenue-Service and Program Revenue-Other

(3) Includes Segregated Revenue-Service, Segregated Revenue-Other and Segregated Revenue-Local

Table 2
Department Position Summary by Funding Source (in FTE positions) (4)

	ADJUSTED BASE FY21	AGENCY REQUEST FY22	AGENCY REQUEST FY23	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY22	GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION FY23
GENERAL PURPOSE REVENUE	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.50	8.50
FEDERAL REVENUE (1)	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.75
PROGRAM REVENUE (2)	139.00	139.00	139.00	136.00	136.00
SEGREGATED REVENUE (3)	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
TOTALS - ANNUAL	154.75	154.75	154.75	160.25	160.25

(1) Includes Program Revenue-Federal and Segregated Revenue-Federal

(2) Includes Program Revenue-Service and Program Revenue-Other

(3) Includes Segregated Revenue-Service, Segregated Revenue-Other and Segregated Revenue-Local

(4) All positions are State Operations unless otherwise specified

Table 3
Department Budget Summary by Program (in thousands of dollars)

	ACTUAL FY20	ADJUSTED BASE FY21	AGENCY REQUEST		GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION	
			FY22	FY23	FY22	FY23
1. Regulation of public utilities	\$25,158.3	\$29,225.9	\$29,072.9	\$29,072.9	\$32,860.9	\$34,518.4
2. Office of the commissioner of railroads	\$539.1	\$620.6	\$636.2	\$636.2	\$636.2	\$636.2
3. Affiliated grant programs	\$24,332.0	\$22,578.0	\$580.5	\$580.5	\$77,373.6	\$75,521.5
TOTALS	\$50,029.4	\$52,424.5	\$30,289.6	\$30,289.6	\$110,870.7	\$110,676.1

Table 4
Department Position Summary by Program (in FTE positions) (4)

	ADJUSTED BASE FY21	AGENCY REQUEST		GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION	
		FY22	FY23	FY22	FY23
1. Regulation of public utilities	144.75	144.75	144.75	150.25	150.25
2. Office of the commissioner of railroads	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
3. Affiliated grant programs	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
TOTALS	154.75	154.75	154.75	160.25	160.25

(4) All positions are State Operations unless otherwise specified

1. Broadband Expansion Funding

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY22		FY23		FY22		FY23	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	75,602,000	6.50	73,811,400	6.50
PR-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	-591,500	-5.50	-591,500	-5.50
SEG-S	0	0.00	0	0.00	2,000,000	0.00	2,000,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	77,010,500	1.00	75,219,900	1.00

The Governor recommends increasing funding for the commission's broadband expansion grant program to over \$150 million over the biennium, including: (a) a total of \$74.8 million in FY22 and \$72.9 million in FY23 in general purpose revenue funding; and (b) a minimum of \$2 million annually in funding that is already budgeted from the universal service fund as part of a larger investment in broadband in the state. The Governor also recommends providing funding and position authority for an additional position in the State Broadband Office to assist with the expanded broadband grant program. The Governor further recommends creating a new general purpose revenue appropriation to cover all of the costs of the State Broadband Office.

2. Supporting Municipal Broadband

The Governor recommends modifying statutory provisions that discourage municipalities from providing broadband service to residents in broadband "unserved" and "underserved" areas. The Governor also recommends modifying current law to allow these same municipalities to apply for grants under the broadband expansion grant program.

3. Broadband Infrastructure Owned by Electric Utilities and Cooperatives

The Governor recommends modifying current law to allow electric cooperatives and utilities to install, maintain or own broadband infrastructure on an eligible easement.

4. Broadband Line Extension Grant Program

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY22		FY23		FY22		FY23	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,821,900	1.00	3,591,500	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,821,900	1.00	3,591,500	1.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to establish a broadband line extension grant program, which will provide grants or financial assistance to eligible households to subsidize the cost of a line extension from existing broadband infrastructure to a residence.

5. Internet Assistance Program

The Governor recommends providing funding to the Department of Children and Families to support the creation of an Internet subscription monthly subsidy program for low-income households. The Governor recommends providing \$20 million annually for the program, funded with \$10 million in general purpose revenue and \$10 million in Temporary Assistance for Needy Families funding. See Department of Children and Families, Item #3.

6. Broadband Customer Protections

The Governor recommends modifying current law to protect broadband customers by requiring broadband service providers to meet certain service requirements, including prohibiting a broadband service provider from denying service to residential customers on the basis of race or income. See Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Item #30.

7. Broadband Planning and Leadership Grant Program

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY22		FY23		FY22		FY23	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	300,000	0.00	300,000	0.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	300,000	0.00	300,000	0.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to the commission to support the creation of a broadband planning and leadership grant program to assist communities as they develop plans to expand broadband service and access. The Governor also recommends creating a grant resource team within the Department of Administration, which will, in part, provide technical assistance to communities in navigating state and federal broadband grant processes. See Department of Administration, Item #27.

8. Broadband Granular Mapping Data Requirements

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY22		FY23		FY22		FY23	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
GPR	0	0.00	0	0.00	76,100	1.00	97,100	1.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	76,100	1.00	97,100	1.00

The Governor recommends modifying current law to require Internet service providers to provide broadband coverage mapping data on a more granular level than required by the Federal Communications Commission. The Governor also recommends providing funding and position authority to the commission to assist with the more comprehensive broadband mapping efforts.

9. Focus on Energy Program Expansion

The Governor recommends modifying current law to allow the commission to double the funds available to the Focus on Energy program to 2.4 percent of each utility's annual operating revenues. The Governor also recommends creating a dedicated program targeted at helping low-income energy customers.

10. Social Cost of Carbon

The Governor recommends requiring the commission to establish the social cost of carbon and reevaluate this cost on a biennial basis. The Governor also recommends requiring the commission to consider the social cost of carbon when evaluating construction certifications.

11. Innovative Technology Program

The Governor recommends creating an innovative technology pilot program, which sets a voluntary goal for electric utilities to collectively spend \$100 million over five years developing electricity storage solutions and microgrids for critical infrastructure.

12. Clean Energy Projects Low-Cost Debt Financing

The Governor recommends modifying several statutory provisions to expand low-cost debt financing of clean energy projects for residential, commercial and governmental customers, including: (a) requiring the commission to create a model ordinance for counties to establish a property assessed clean energy (PACE) financing program; (b) authorizing the Focus on Energy program to allocate funds to market PACE programs across the state; and (c) authorizing regulated utilities to offer inclusive on-bill financing for energy efficiency improvements.

13. Securitization of Retiring Power Plants

The Governor recommends modifying current law to allow utilities to securitize the entire remaining unpaid balance of a retiring power plant, in addition to the unpaid balance of pollution control equipment.

14. Nonutility-Owned Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

The Governor recommends modifying current law to exempt a nonutility that supplies electricity through an electric vehicle charging station from the definition of a public utility.

15. Water Assistance Program

The Governor recommends creating a water assistance program, within the Division of Energy, Housing and Community Resources at the Department of Administration, designed to help customers defray the cost of water bills. The commission will assist the department's work with water utilities. See Department of Administration, Item #10.

16. Initiatives to Support Water Utilities

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY22		FY23		FY22		FY23	
Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	
PR-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,342,200	2.00	1,134,300	2.00
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	1,342,200	2.00	1,134,300	2.00

The Governor recommends providing funding to the commission to establish a water loss control training program for water utilities serving populations of 3,300 or more residents. The Governor also recommends providing funding and position authority to modernize the commission's water utility reporting database and to support an enhanced water utility data reporting compliance review program.

17. Composition of the Intervenor Compensation Program

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY22		FY23		FY22		FY23	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-O	-300,000	0.00	-300,000	0.00	-300,000	0.00	-300,000	0.00
TOTAL	-300,000	0.00	-300,000	0.00	-300,000	0.00	-300,000	0.00

The Governor recommends restructuring the intervenor compensation grant program by providing additional funding directly from utilities to the consumer advocate, which would continue to represent customers in rate case decisions before the commission. The Governor also recommends requiring the consumer advocate to submit an annual budget of up to \$900,000 to the commission for approval. The Governor further recommends reserving \$50,000 annually in intervenor compensation funding for entities who plan to review economic and environmental issues impacting low-income populations.

18. Civil Penalties for Gas Pipeline Safety Violations

The Governor recommends modifying current law to increase civil penalties for gas pipeline safety violations, aligning state statutes with guidance issued by the U.S. Department of Transportation.

19. Transfer of High-Voltage Transmission Line Fee Administration

The Governor recommends transferring the administration and payment of environmental impact fees for high-voltage transmission lines from the Department of Administration to the commission. See Department of Administration, Item #31.

20. Agency Equity Officer

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY22		FY23		FY22		FY23	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-O	0	0.00	0	0.00	30,400	0.50	43,700	0.50
TOTAL	0	0.00	0	0.00	30,400	0.50	43,700	0.50

The Governor recommends creating a new agency equity officer position within the Office of the Chairperson. The agency equity officer will collaborate with the Chief Equity Officer within the Department of Administration and agency equity officers within other agencies to identify opportunities to advance equity in government operations, including determining how current government practices and policies impact communities of color and individuals with disabilities. See Department of Administration, Item #1; Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, Item #38; Department of Children and Families, Item #26; Department of Corrections, Item #26; Department of Financial Institutions, Item #13; Department of Health Services, Item #109; Department of Justice, Item #30; Department of Military Affairs, Item #9; Department of Natural Resources, Item #51; Department of Public Instruction, Item #31; Department of Revenue, Item #43; Department of Safety and Professional Services, Item #6; Department of Tourism, Item #8; Department of Transportation, Item #42; Department of Veterans Affairs, Item #6; Department of Workforce Development, Item #36; and Office of the Commissioner of Insurance, Item #28.

21. Standard Budget Adjustments

Source of Funds	Agency Request				Governor's Recommendations			
	FY22		FY23		FY22		FY23	
	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions	Dollars	Positions
PR-F	145,400	0.00	145,400	0.00	145,400	0.00	145,400	0.00
PR-O	17,200	0.00	17,200	0.00	17,200	0.00	17,200	0.00
SEG-O	2,500	0.00	2,500	0.00	2,500	0.00	2,500	0.00
SEG-S	-22,000,000	0.00	-22,000,000	0.00	-22,000,000	0.00	-22,000,000	0.00
TOTAL	-21,834,900	0.00	-21,834,900	0.00	-21,834,900	0.00	-21,834,900	0.00

The Governor recommends adjusting the commission's base budget for: (a) turnover reduction (-\$282,800 in each year); (b) removal of noncontinuing elements from the base (-\$22,000,000 in each year); (c) full funding of continuing position salaries and fringe benefits (\$426,800 in each year); (d) reclassifications and semiautomatic pay progression (\$19,500 in each year); and (e) full funding of lease and directed moves costs (\$1,600 in each year).