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REGULAR SESSION OF 2025

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, March 11, 2025  
TIME: 11:15 AM  
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
Conference Room 325  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[SB 1500, SD2](#)  
[\(SSCR832\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO ELECTRIC UTILITIES.  
Provides the Public Utilities Commission with the authority to appoint  
a receiver to take temporary action necessary to assure continued  
adequate electric services from regulated investor-owned electric  
utilities. Requires an appointed receiver to recognize and maintain the  
terms and conditions of any existing collective bargaining agreement  
and prohibits the receiver from inducing or causing a reduction in  
force, or terminating a covered employee, other than for a cause  
consistent with any collective bargaining agreement. Appropriates  
funds out of the Public Utilities Commission Special Fund. Effective  
7/1/2050. (SD2)

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[SB 997, SD3](#)  
[\(SSCR767\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO ENERGY.  
Grants the Public Utilities Commission the ability to authorize preferential rates for the purchase of firm renewable energy from facilities that meet certain prevailing wage requirements. Requires public utilities to forward certain requests for preferential rates to the PUC for approval. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD3)

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### DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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