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PUCCD9 Natural gas companies			
No provision.	No provision.	 R.C. 4905.03, 4929.18 Includes as "natural gas," for purposes of determining entities that are natural gas companies under public utilities law, natural gas that has been processed to enable consumption o to meet gas quality standards or that has been blended with certain other artificially produced or processed gas. 	
No provision.	No provision.	Expands the property, equipment, or facilities installed or constructed by a natural gas company that may be treated as instrumentalities and facilities for distribution service after PUCO approval to include: (1) property, equipment, or facilities to enable the blending of biologically derived methane gas to customers; and (2) property, equipment, or facilities to enable interconnection with or receipt from property, equipment, or facilities used to generate, collect, gather, or transport hydrogen or to enable the blending of hydrogen with natural gas for supplying customers.	
		Fiscal effect: Increases the potential rate base of a natural gas company, which is a cost of service that can be recovered from ratepayers.	
PUCCD1 Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) program			
R.C. 4928.54, 4928.543, 4928.544, Repealed: 4928.542 Transfers the authority to aggregate Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) program customers for the purpose of a competitive procurement process for the supply of retail electric service for these customers from the DEV Director to PUCO and make this authority permissive instead of mandatory as under current law.		No provision.	

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Requires PUCO to inform the DEV Director if PUCO decides to aggregate PIPP program customers and requires that to be done as soon as possible after the decision is made for the director's consideration of possible universal service rider adjustments allowed under ongoing law.	Same as the Executive.	No provision.
Specifies that the design for the competitive procurement process may include full or partial auctions of PIPP program customers to the extent necessary to transition these customers to the applicable standard service offer (SSO) for retail electric service.	Same as the Executive.	No provision.
Repeals the law requiring winning bids selected under a competitive procurement process that aggregates PIPP program customers to (1) be designed to provide reliable competitive retail electric service to PIPP customers, (2) reduce PIPP program costs relative to the otherwise applicable SSO, and (3) result in the best value for persons paying the universal service rider.	Same as the Executive.	No provision.
Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs for PUCO and potential decrease in costs for DEV, both likely minimal. Costs for both agencies for this purpose are reimbursed by the Universal Service Fund Rider, paid by electric consumers. Potential minimal change in costs of electricity for the state and local governments as ratepayers. PUCCD8 Natural gas company infrastructure development rider	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.	
PUCCD8 Natural gas company infrastructure development rider		R.C. 4929.162, 4929.16, 4929.163
No provision.	No provision.	Expands what is included as "infrastructure development" and what may be recovered from natural gas company customers as "infrastructure development costs" under an infrastructure development rider (IDR).

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No provision.	No provision.	Increases the monthly amount that a natural gas company may recover from any single customer in this state under an IDR up to \$3.00.
No provision.	No provision.	Prohibits PUCO from approving an IDR application after October 1, 2029, that includes infrastructure development costs that are for investments to utility facilities designed to provide natural gas service to certain sites.
No provision.	No provision.	Requires PUCO, when requested by a natural gas company, to approve a regulatory deferral, including carrying costs at the company's cost of long-term debt, for the IDR revenue requirement in any year in which the approved customer charge exceeds or is expected to exceed the monthly customer cost limitation. Permits a natural gas company that does not have a PUCO-approved cost of long-term debt to propose such a cost. Allows a company to propose a rate or methodology for calculating carrying costs that differs from the company's cost of long-term debt approved in its most recent rate case.
No provision.	No provision.	Requires PUCO to permit the natural gas company to collect deferred and unrecovered infrastructure development costs in subsequent years, as long as the rate does not exceed the monthly customer cost limitations. Requires PUCO to permit carrying costs to accrue until the entirety of the regulatory deferral and all carrying costs have been recovered.

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No provision.	No provision.	Allows PUCO to grant a regulatory deferral not to exceed five years after its approval, and to grant a deferral for less than five years. Provides that the natural gas company's ability to collect deferred and unrecovered infrastructure development costs in subsequent years is subject to PUCO's authority to grant regulatory deferrals not to exceed five years after its approval, and for less than five years. Requires PUCO to permit carrying costs to accrue until either (1) the entirety of the regulatory deferral and all carrying costs have been recovered, or (2) the termination of the deferral.
No provision.	No provision.	Permits PUCO to approve only economic development projects involving infrastructure development costs that are an investment for any deposit line extension required by the natural gas company if the infrastructure development costs, excluding the company's permitted return on such costs, are projected to generate a return on investment less than the most recently authorized return on equity.
No provision.	No provision.	Requires PUCO to issue an annual report that includes (1) the number of IDR applications granted and the type of infrastructure development costs the applications were made for, (2) the number of IDR applications approved and the type of infrastructure development costs the applications were approved for, (3) the monetary amount approved for recovery through each IDR and the total amount for all IDRs, (4) the number of approved economic development projects on which all construction has been completed, and (5) a list containing the construction status of all approved economic development projects.

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		natura costs f munici by PUC natura 273,40 compa per ye	effect: The increase in the maximum amount that a all gas company may recover for IDRs may increase for all natural gas customers, including counties, ipalities, townships, and school districts, if approved CO. As of May 2023, there were a total of 3.7 million all gas customers (i.e., 3.4 million residential customers, 00 commercial, and 5,500 industrial). Natural gas anies could recover an additional up to \$66.7 million ar if approved by PUCO (but the costs for local ments would be a small fraction of this).
PUCCD7 Electric vehicle charging stations			
No provision.	R.C. 4934.11, 4934.01, 4934.03, 4934.05, 4934.08, 4934.14 Defines "electric vehicle (EV)," "direct current fast charging station," "electric vehicle charging provider," "electric vehicle charging station," "level two charging station," and "makeready infrastructure" for the purposes of state regulation by PUCO.	R.C. (1) Sar	4934.11, 4934.01, 4934.03, 4934.05, 4934.08, 4934.14 me as the House.
No provision.	Allows an electric distribution utility (EDU) or electric cooperative to recover the costs of make-ready infrastructure (i.e., electrical infrastructure required to accommodate the EV charging station's electrical load) through the EDU's or cooperative's rates and charges so long as the subsidy is offered to EV charging providers on a nondiscriminatory basis.	` '	me as the House, but excludes reference to electric rative customers.
No provision.	Prohibits an EDU from: (1) owning or operating publicly available EV charging stations except through a separate affiliate or subsidiary that is not subject to PUCO jurisdiction, (2) charging a subsidized rate, fee, or charge for electric service distributed to the affiliate's or subsidiary's EV charging stations, (3) directly or indirectly subsidizing investments in the ownership or operation of EV charging stations with revenues from providing electric distribution service.	(3) Sar	me as the House.

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No provision.	Prohibits an electric cooperative from including, in the rates it charges, any EV charging station costs, or any costs, unrelated to the provision of electric service. Requires an electric cooperative that owns or operates publicly available EV charging stations to maintain separate books and records of its EV charging station service.	(4) No provision.
No provision.	Requires an EDU affiliate or subsidiary, or a cooperative, that owns or operates an EV charging station to be subject to the same rates, terms, and conditions that apply to EV charging providers in the EDU's or cooperative's service territory. Permits an EDU and electric cooperative to use an EV charging station on its own premises for the sole purpose of serving its own EVs.	(5) Same as the House, but excludes reference to electric cooperatives and their customers.
	Fiscal effect: No direct fiscal effect on state agencies or local governments. May increase charges to electric ratepayers (inclusive of public sector customers), if EDUs or electric cooperatives implement rates and charges to recover costs incurred for their provision of make-ready infrastructure in support of EV charging stations.	Fiscal effect: Same as the House.

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No provision.	Requires the criteria adopted in rules for site selection include a means to identify and designate economic development projects into the following economic development tiers: (A) megaprojects as tier one projects, (B) megaproject supplier projects as tier two projects, and (C) projects in an industrial park or a site that is zoned industrial as tier three projects.	Same as the House.
No provision.	Permits the DEV Director to provide grants and loans to port authorities, community improvement corporations, joint economic development districts, and public private partnerships to aid in the acquisition of land necessary for site development.	Same as the House, but includes counties as eligible recipients to receive grants and loans from Fund 5XM0 to aide in the acquisition of land necessary for site development and also allows the DEV Director to provide loans from Fund 5XM0 to a board of county of commissioners to facilitate the transfer or relocation of assets under the control of the county for the purpose of site development.
No provision.	Permits utilities (i.e. electric distribution utilities) to apply to PUCO for approval of infrastructure development for economic development projects after the utility first requests a reimbursement from Fund 5XMO.	Same as the House.
No provision.	Establishes several requirements for what must be included in an infrastructure development application and allows PUCO to approve an application if the infrastructure development is necessary to support or enable a state or local economic development project.	Same as the House, but specifies the PUCO may approve funding for infrastructure development costs using either (but not both) (1) a disbursement from Fund 5XMO or (2) a rider or rate mechanism under the Ohio Public Utility Ratemaking Law or the Competitive Retail Electric Service Law.
No provision.	Permits JobsOhio to provide PUCO with a recommendation regarding the infrastructure development application's approval or denial.	Same as the House.
No provision.	Specifies that rules adopted under this provision are exempt from the law requiring reductions in regulatory restrictions.	No provision.

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No provision.	No provision.	Prohibits an entity that receives financial assistance from Fund 5XM0 from the following: (1) issuing riders or any other additional charges to their customers for the purposes of the project that is funded by such assistance, and (2) if the entity is a water company, using the financial assistance for a new or expanded waste water treatment facility.
No provision.	No provision.	Prohibits a natural gas company from recovering infrastructure development costs of a particular site or project meeting certain requirements for an investment for any utility facility designed to provide natural gas service to the site or project using an infrastructure development rider if both (1) the site or project is approved for funding from Fund 5XMO and (2) the company accepts such funding for the site or project. Permits, however, a natural gas company that is prohibited from recovering certain infrastructure development costs under an infrastructure development rider for a particular site or project to recover such costs for other sites or projects that are also not prohibited.
Fiscal effect: Increases revenue deposited into Fund 5XM0. The executive budget also transfers up to \$2.4 billion from the FY 2023 GRF ending balance to Fund 5XM0 (see OBMCD38).	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but decreases the potential revenue increase. The transfer from the FY 2023 GRF ending balance to Fund 5XM0 is \$500.0 million (see OBMCD38).	Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but the transfer from the FY 2023 GRF ending balance to Fund 5XM0 is \$917.0 million (see OBMCD38).

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Permits or requires the establishment of electronic means of submission for such services as licensure, approvals, and other by the following entities: ODNR's Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management, school districts, ODE, solid waste management districts, and courts of record.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive, with technical changes.
Modifies or removes references related to creating or retaining stenographic records of certain proceedings for the following entities: COM, ODNR, ODE, school districts, Ohio EPA, and ODWIS.	Same as the Executive.	Same as the Executive, with technical changes.
Fiscal effect: TAX has estimated savings of approximately \$3.4 million per year for the agency. Ohio EPA has estimated annual savings of over \$750,000. Other affected state agencies will also likely realize some administrative cost savings as will affected local governments.	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.	Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.

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No provision.	Defines "Internal Revenue Code," for purposes of the property tax exemption for qualified energy projects, as the Internal Revenue Code as it exists on the provision's 90-day effective date.	No provision.	
	Fiscal effect: No direct effect on state expenditures; permissive effect on local revenues as the local Board of County Commissioners has discretion over the approval of this property tax exemption.	Fiscal effect: Same as the House, but local discretion is applicable to a shorter number of years as the exemption is extended only through 2029.	