<u>SSB 5910</u> - H AMD TO APP COMM AMD (H-2899.2/22) **1371**By Representative Abbarno

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On page 16, after line 16 of the striking amendment, insert the following:

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4 "Part 6

5 GAS COMPANY NOTICE

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- NEW SECTION. Sec. 601. A new section is added to chapter 80.28 RCW to read as follows:
- 9 (1) A gas company must file a notice with the utilities and
- 10 transportation commission prior to replacing natural gas with
- 11 renewable hydrogen or green electrolytic hydrogen to serve customers.
- 12 The notice must establish that the company has received all necessary
- 13 siting and permitting approvals. The notice must also include a
- 14 description of the following:
- 15 (a) Whether the use of clean electricity to produce hydrogen is
- 16 consistent with the company's most recent integrated resource plan;
- 17 (b) Potential impacts to electrical grid reliability, including
- 18 resource adequacy, resulting from renewable hydrogen and green
- 19 electrolytic hydrogen production and deployment; and
- (c) Standards, including safety standards, for blending of green
- 21 electrolytic hydrogen and renewable hydrogen into natural gas
- 22 distribution infrastructure.
- 23 (2) The commission shall consider the recommendations made by the
- 24 department of commerce through its work outlined in section 103(1)(d),
- 25 the information contained in the notice, and additional relevant data
- 26 and analyses when making a determination on a company's request for

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- 1 approval of any tariff related to the use of green electrolytic
- 2 hydrogen or renewable hydrogen as a replacement for natural gas."

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EFFECT:

- Requires gas companies to file a notice with the Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) prior to replacing natural gas with renewable hydrogen and green electrolytic hydrogen to serve customers.
- Requires the UTC to consider certain information when making a determination on a company's request for approval of any tariff related to the use of green electrolytic hydrogen or renewable hydrogen as a replacement for natural gas.

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