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## MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Holmes and members of the House Energy and Utilities Committee
From: Matt Sterling, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
Date: January 30, 2012
Subject: House Bill 2512

HB 2512 would amend K.S.A. 66-117 to allow a natural gas public utility to charge interim rates prior to receiving commission approval. The bill would allow the natural gas utility to put into effect temporary rates 30 days after filing with the commission for a rate increase. The utility would be required to file with the commission a suspending bond or other satisfactory guaranty or surety. The suspending bond or other satisfactory guaranty or surety would be subject to the approval of the commission and conditioned upon the refund of the difference between the actual revenues received under the temporary rates and the revenues that would have been received under the existing rates. At the conclusion of the rate proceeding, if the increase reflected by the temporary rates exceeds the final rates ordered by the commission, the difference is to be refunded to customers.