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**OLR Bill Analysis**

**HB 5181 (as amended by House "A")\***

***AN ACT REQUIRING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY TO STUDY THE CREATION OF A NEW RATE CLASS FOR GAS COMPANIES.***

**SUMMARY**

This bill requires the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority's chairperson to study creating a new gas company rate class for customers' properties that are exempt from property taxes as houses of religious worship. The chairperson must report the study's results, which must include recommendations for creating such a new rate class, to the Energy and Technology Committee by February 1, 2020.

\*House Amendment "A" (1) changes the subject of the study from certain nonprofit organizations to property tax-exempt houses of religious worship and (2) changes the study's deadline from July 1, 2020, to February 1, 2020.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Energy and Technology Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 25 Nay 0 (03/19/2019)