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To: Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee
From: Jameson Walker, Legislative Attorney
Re: Administrative Rule Report, December 2017

The Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee (ETIC) is responsible for reviewing administrative rules promulgated by several state agencies for compliance with the Montana Administrative Procedure Act (MAPA). The ETIC has administrative rule review, draft legislation review, program evaluation, and monitoring functions for the Department of Public Service Regulation and the Public Service Commission. The following notices are filed with the Secretary of State's Office for publication in the Montana Administrative Register (MAR). Notices are available at <http://www.mtrules.org> (search by notice number).

PROPOSAL NOTICES

Department of Public Service Regulation and Public Service Commission

MAR Notice Number: 38-5-238

Subject: Amendment, adoption, and repeal or rules pertaining to pipeline safety.

Summary: The department proposes to amend 38.5.2202 and 38.5.2302 pertaining to pipeline safety. Specifically, the department proposes to update references in both administrative rules from 2016 to 2017. The department states that the rule updates are necessary to allow administration of all federal aspects of Montana's pipeline safety programs. Copies of the referenced regulations may be reviewed at the department's offices or are generally available online at www.ecfr.gov.

Notes/Hearing: The department does not anticipate the need to hold a public hearing and proposes to adopt the rule on January 15, 2018.

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