## **DIGEST**

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Fannin HB No. 892

**Abstract:** Requires the La. Public Service Commission to provide written notice to each rural water utility system required to file an annual report detailing the system's financial and operating conditions.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the creation of the La. Public Service Commission (LPSC) and provides for the regulation of public utilities by the commission.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds the requirement that the LPSC provide each rural water utility system in this state, on an annual basis, with a written notice advising the rural water utility system of the requirement to file an annual report of the rural water utility system's financial and operating conditions with the commission.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the notice to be provided to each rural water utility system not less than 60 days prior to the deadline for the rural water utility system to file the annual report with the LPSC.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the LPSC, if a rural water utility system files an annual report after the deadline to file, to collect an assessment for late filing pursuant to the following:

- (1) If the annual report is filed 90 days or less after the deadline, an assessment of \$50.
- (2) If the annual report is filed more than 90 days after the deadline, an assessment of \$500.

(Adds R.S. 45:1178)