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AN ACT relating to public utilities; providing for the review of integrated resource plan action plans by the public service commission; providing rulemaking authority; authorizing positions; providing an appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 37-2-135 is created to read:

37-2-135. Review of integrated resource plan action plans.

- (a) The commission shall engage in long-range planning regarding public utility regulatory policy in order to facilitate the well-planned development and conservation of utility resources. Pursuant to this subsection, the commission shall require each affected electrical utility to file any action plan developed as part of the affected electrical utility's integrated resource plan to enable the commission to review and provide guidance to the affected electrical utility.
- (b) The commission shall adopt rules providing a process for the review and acknowledgement of an action plan and integrated resource plan under subsection (a) of this section.
 - (c) As used in this section:
- (i) "Affected electrical utility" means a public utility other than a cooperative electric utility as defined in W.S. 37-17-101(a)(i);

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- (ii) "Integrated resource plan" means a plan that contains:
- (A) The demand and energy forecast by the affected electrical utility for not less than a ten (10) year period;
- (B) The affected electrical utility's options for meeting the requirements shown in its load and resource forecast in an economic and reliable manner, including:
- (I) Demand-side and supply-side options; and
- (II) A description and summary cost-benefit analysis of each option that was considered.
- (C) The affected electrical utility's assumptions and conclusions with respect to the effect of the plan on the cost and reliability of energy service;
- (D) A description of the external environmental and economic consequences of the plan to the extent practicable; and
- (E) Any other data and analyses the commission may require.

Section 2.

(a) The public service commission is authorized up to two (2) additional full-time positions for the period beginning with the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2026 for two analysts to implement the

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requirements of this act. It is the intent of the legislature that the public service commission include these full-time positions in its standard budget request for the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium.

(b) There is appropriated six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000.00) from the public service commission account under W.S. 37-2-106 within the special revenue fund to the public service commission for purpose of funding the positions authorized in subsection (a) of this section. This appropriation shall be for the period beginning with the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2026. This appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30, 2026.

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Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2024.

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Speaker of the House	President of the Senate
Governor	
TIME APPROVED:	
DATE APPROVED:	
I hereby certify that this act original	ginated in the Senate.
Chief Clerk	