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## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Bill No.

as introduced, Hill.

General Subject: Electricity: transmission facilities: inspection.

Under existing law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory jurisdiction over public utilities, including electrical corporations. Existing law requires the commission if it finds, after a hearing, that rules, practices, equipment, appliances, facilities, or service of any public utility, or the methods of manufacture, distribution, transmission, storage, or supply employed by it, are unjust, unreasonable, unsafe, improper, inadequate, or insufficient to fix the rules, practices, equipment, appliances, facilities, service, or methods to be observed, furnished, constructed, enforced, or employed. Under its existing regulatory authority, the commission has adopted a general order, which, among other things, establish a schedule of inspection by electrical corporations of their distribution facilities.

This bill would require the commission to adopt a new, or amend an existing, general order to establish a schedule of inspection by electrical corporations of their transmission facilities.

Under existing law, a violation of an order of the commission would be a crime.

Because a violation of the general order establishing a schedule of inspection of transmission facilities would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.



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An act to add Section 761.7 to the Public Utilities Code, relating to electricity.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 761.7 is added to the Public Utilities Code, to read:

761.7. The commission shall adopt a new, or revise an existing, general order to establish a schedule of inspection by electrical corporations of their transmission facilities

SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.

