

A bill for an act

relating to utilities; authorizing supplemental funding for Public Utilities  
Commission; appropriating money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section  
216B.62, by adding a subdivision.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 216B.62, is amended by adding a  
subdivision to read:

Subd. 3a. **Supplemental staffing assessment.** In addition to other assessments in  
subdivision 3, the commission may assess up to \$800,000 per year for supplemental  
staffing to implement requirements of this chapter. The amount in this subdivision shall  
be assessed to the several public utilities in proportion to their respective gross operating  
revenues from retail sales of gas or electric service within the state during the last calendar  
year, shall be deposited into an account in the special revenue fund, and are appropriated  
to the commission. An assessment made under this subdivision is not subject to the cap on  
assessments provided in subdivision 3 or any other law.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.