

Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee

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Summary Senate Resolution 29, P.N. 382

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Analysis

- Directs the Center for Rural Pennsylvania to study the potential for increased deployment of natural gas distribution infrastructure by Pennsylvania's natural gas public utilities to unserved and underserved areas.
- The Center would be directed to study the deployment of natural gas distribution infrastructure by collecting and analyzing information on:
 - 1) Estimated demand for natural gas service in unserved and underserved areas of the Commonwealth;
 - 2) Estimated price consumers are willing to pay for access or conversion to natural gas service;
 - 3) Regional differences in consumer demand and willingness to pay for natural gas service; and
 - 4) Relevant economic information on the costs and benefits to expand natural gas distribution infrastructure.
- The Center would be responsible to report its findings, plans, and recommendations to the General Assembly no later than August 1, 2013.