## SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anna Caballero, Chair 2025 - 2026 Regular Session

AB 1167 (Berman) - Electrical corporations and gas corporations: rate recovery: political activities and promotional advertising

**Version:** July 3, 2025 **Policy Vote:** E., U. & C. 13 - 4

Urgency: No Mandate: Yes

**Hearing Date:** August 29, 2025 **Consultant:** Ashley Ames

**Bill Summary:** This bill would prohibit certain political influence activities and advertising expenses by electrical or gas corporations from being recovered from ratepayers.

## \*\*\*\*\*\* ANALYSIS ADDENDUM - SUSPENSE FILE \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

The following information is revised to reflect amendments adopted by the committee on August 29, 2025

## **Fiscal Impact:**

 Unknown ongoing costs, possibly around \$1 million annually (ratepayer funds) to the California Public Utilities Commission to assess specified civil penalties and otherwise implement the provisions of this bill.

**Author Amendments:** These amendments would narrow the reporting requirements, ensure continued communication with customers, and make other changes.