HB 956 -- RATEMAKING FOR GAS CORPORATIONS

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This bill limits commission approval of annual revenue from infrastructure replacement surcharges under Section 393.1012, RSMo, to 1.25% of a gas corporation's gross jurisdictional revenues. Gross receipts, sales taxes, and other pass-through types of taxation not included in the rate-making process are not counted for purposes of the limit and may be collected by the gas corporation.

Surcharges may be approved for a period of up to five years without the need for a gas corporation to bring a general rate case. Currently, there is a three year limit.

The bill does not prevent the commission, certain legislative bodies, or classes of customers from bringing a complaint under Section 386.390 alleging that the rates or other charges of a gas corporation are unreasonable or unlawful.