

# SUBMITTED WRITTEN TESTIMONY

**Committee** House State, Veterans, & Military Affairs  
**Meeting Date** 06/05/2020 Upon Adjournment

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6/5/2020 10:16	HB20-1412	Christina	Rosendahl	For	Black Hills Energy	Open	Submitted text	<p>Black Hills Energy is in support of HB 20-1412- Energy Assistance, which allocates \$10 million from the federal CARES Act to the low-income energy assistance fund to help households facing economic hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Coloradans are currently experiencing unprecedented financial strain and some utility customers have been put into a position where they will be unable to pay their bills at this time. According to the Department of Labor and Employment over 500,000 Coloradans have been approved for some form of unemployment compensation in the past 11 weeks. As jobless claims continue to increase, the number of households eligible for energy assistance will rise dramatically, and the ability to serve these needs must rise with it.</p> <p>Coloradans need a safety net to ensure that they can protect their families and power their homes. HB 20-1412 will help bolster programs currently in existence and provide critical support to those who need it most.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration of this critical bill.</p> <p>Thank you,  Vance Crocker, VP, Black Hills Energy, Colorado Electric  Susan Bailey, VP, Black Hills Energy, Colorado Gas</p>

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