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Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 23-0778
Prime Sponsors: Sen. Liston

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Bill Status: Senate Transportation
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Bill Topic: **NUCLEAR ENERGY AS A CLEAN ENERGY RESOURCE**

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue | <input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer | <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity |

The bill specifies that nuclear energy is a clean energy source for the renewable energy standard. It minimally increases state workload in FY 2023-24 only.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

The bill adds nuclear energy to the statutory definitions of “clean energy” for the state’s renewable energy standard and the Rural Clean Energy Project Finance Program.

State Expenditures

The bill increases workload in the Public Utilities Commission to update rules regarding recycled energy, which can be accomplished within the normal course of business.

Local Government

If counties receive additional applications and approve additional projects under the Rural Clean Energy Project Finance Program, workload will increase. This workload is expected to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties
Local Affairs

Information Technology
Public Health and Environment

Law
Regulatory Agencies