

#### HB 25-1040: ADDING NUCLEAR ENERGY AS A CLEAN ENERGY RESOURCE

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Fiscal note status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

## **Summary Information**

**Overview.** The bill specifies that nuclear energy is a clean energy source for the renewable energy standard.

**Types of impacts.** The bill is projected to affect the following areas in FY 2025-26 only:

Minimal State Workload

Local Government

**Appropriations.** No appropriation is required.

# Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

	Budget Year	Out Year
Type of Impact	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

## **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. Nuclear energy generated by a public utility is exempted from the definition of "clean energy resource" for property valuations made for tax purposes.

## **State Expenditures**

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

## **Local Government**

If counties receive additional applications and approve additional projects under the Rural Clean Energy Project Finance Program, workload will minimally 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 Public Health and Environment

Law Regulatory Agencies

Local Affairs Revenue