

# Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: HB0623.01 (001): Revise laws relating to nuclear energy					
Primary Sponsor:	onsor: Gary Parry		Status:	As Amended in House Committee	
☐ Included in the Executive Budget		☐ Needs to be included in HB 2		☐ Significant Local Gov Impact	
☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts		☐ Technical Concerns		☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached	
FISCAL SUMMARY					
		FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 Difference
Expenditures General Fund (01)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenues General Fund (01)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact General Fund B	Salance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

## Description of fiscal impact

HB 623 would have no fiscal impact on the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) because it requires applicants to cover the costs of DEQ's responsibilities under the bill.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **Assumptions**

#### **Department of Environmental Quality**

- 1. For facilities subject to review by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), HB 623 would require DEQ to intervene in the federal proceeding by developing and filing a state recommendation.
- 2. In developing the state recommendation, DEQ would use existing staff and procure additional expertise from external contractors as needed.
- 3. HB 623 would require applicants to pay a fee to be used by DEQ to carry out responsibilities related to developing a state recommendation and participating in federal proceedings related to the application.
- 4. DEQ would administer the fee the same way it does when intervening in federal energy regulatory commission proceedings under the Major Facility Siting Act, by entering into a contract with the applicant to ensure that expenses associated with DEQ's review would be reimbursed by the applicant.
- 5. The fee would cover any costs incurred by DEQ because of HB 623, including staff salaries and any necessary contracts with outside experts, and would not result in any net fiscal impact for DEQ.

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Sponsor's Initials

7/6/25 Date

Budget Director's Initials

3/6/2025

Date