

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 573
Version:	ENGR
Request Number:	NA
Author:	Rep. Martinez
Date:	3/22/2021
Impact:	Task Force:
	No Impact Anticipated

Research Analysis

Engrossed SB573 creates the Oklahoma Electrical Access and Resiliency Task Force. The task force would be directed to study local choice in energy suppliers, and to make recommendations on:

- Removing the moratorium on use of municipal condemnation to acquire electric facilities of an incumbent investor-owned utility;
- Authority to give municipal utilities the ability to use eminent domain to allow for community choice of electrical energy suppliers;
- Imposition of new growth taxation on a wholesale provider of electric power to municipal corporations if the providers were not in operation before this measure;
- Strategies to enable community choice of electric energy suppliers; and
- Whether a need exists to provide for ongoing evaluation of the implementation of these rights.

A final report is due no later than one year after the measure's effective date.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure creates the thirteen member Oklahoma Electrical Access and Resiliency (OEAR) Task Force. The task force is to submit a final report to the Governor, the Speaker of the House and the Senate President Pro Tempore no later than one year after the effective date of the act, or July 1, 2022. No provisions are included that would necessitate funding or result in a measureable cost.

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Other Considerations

None.