Senate Fiscal Summary

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Senate Bill 131

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Agency:	Oklahoma Corporation Commission; Dept. of Enviro. Quality
Senate Author:	Burns
House Author:	Boles
FY'26 Impact:	\$0
Full Year Impact:	\$2,500,000

Bill Summary and Fiscal Analysis:

SB 131 requires coal-fired electric utilities electing to retire its facilities to submit notice to the Oklahoma Corporation Commission of the closure and disclose any preliminary plans regarding the replacement of the facility. Entities seeking to construct a nuclear facility must submit an application to the Department of Environmental Quality.

It is unlikely the following fiscal impacts would go into effect in FY'26 – they are estimated fiscal impacts for when a coal-fired electric utilities elects to retire facilities and replace it with an advanced nuclear reactor, which may take several years.

The Corporation Commission would need to hire an independent evaluator and additional staff with background in nuclear energy or retain outside experts in nuclear energy for each case, and additional staff attorney for rulemaking purposes. Their fiscal impact is approximately \$400,000 on recurring annual costs, and a one-time cost of \$45,000.

The DEQ estimates an initial one-time cost of \$2,450,000 and a recurring annual cost of \$2,100,000 or rule development (3 FTE), grants to counties, training of around 1,000 local responders and key staff, environmental monitoring (7 FTE), and the establishment and updating of emergency planning zones.

Fiscal impact provided by the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, DEQ, and Senate staff.