# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1161S.01P
Bill No.: Perfected SB 275
Subject: Taxation and Revenue - Sales and Use; Energy
Type: Original
Date: April 12, 2023

Bill Summary: This proposal provides a sales tax exemption for the production of electricity.

# FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND						
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026			
General Revenue	(\$5,540,593 to	(\$6,648,711 to	(\$6,648,711 to			
General Revenue	\$29,678,193)	\$35,613,831)	\$35,613,831)			
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>						
Effect on General	(\$5,540,593 to	(\$6,648,711 to	(\$6,648,711 to			
Revenue	\$29,678,193)	\$35,613,831)	\$35,613,831)			

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS						
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026			
School District Trust	(\$1,846,864 to	(\$2,216,237 to	(\$2,216,237 to			
(0688)	\$9,892,731)	\$11,871,277)	\$11,871,277)			
Conservation	(\$230,858 to	(\$277,030 to	(\$277,030 to			
Commission (0609)	\$1,236,592)	\$1,483,910)	\$1,483,910)			
Parks, Soils, and Water						
State Sales Tax Fund	(\$184,687 to	(\$221,624 to	(\$221,624 to			
(0613 & 0614)	\$989,273)	\$1,187,128)	\$1,187,128)			
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>						
Effect on <u>Other</u> State	(\$2,262,409 to	(\$2,714,891 to	(\$2,714,891 to			
Funds	\$12,118,596)	\$14,542,315)	\$14,542,315)			

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS						
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026			
Total Estimated Net						
Effect on <u>All</u> Federal						
Funds	<b>\$0</b>	\$0	\$0			

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)						
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026			
<b>Total Estimated Net</b>						
Effect on FTE	0	0	0			

- Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
- □ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026				
Local Government	(\$7,516,737 to	(\$9,020,084 to	(\$9,020,084 to				
	\$40,263,415) \$48,316,098 \$48,316,098						

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# FISCAL ANALYSIS

# ASSUMPTION

**Oversight** was unable to receive some of the agency responses in a timely manner due to the short fiscal note request time. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information that we have or on prior year information regarding a similar bill. Upon the receipt of agency responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek approval to publish a new fiscal note.

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Budget and Planning (B&P)** and the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** both note this proposal exempts from state sales and use tax various inputs to the utilities industry. These exemptions include the utilities, chemicals, machinery, equipment, supplies, parts and materials used by that industry. B&P notes that this proposal would also exempt such products from local sales taxes.

B&P assumes that the broad terms "parts and materials" exempt most inputs to production for the utilities.

DOR reports taxable sales in 2021 from various electrical utility related industries as shown below.

Tax Type	SIC	NAICS	Description	CY 2019	Percent
Use	491, 493	221111	Hydroelectric Power Generation	\$67,433,811	100%
Use	491, 493	221112	Fossil Fuel Electric Power Generation	\$0	100%
Use	491, 493	221113	Nuclear Electric Power Generation	\$0	100%
Use	491, 493	221114	Solar Electric Power Generation	\$0	100%
Use	491, 493	221115	Wind Electric Power Generation	\$0	100%
Use	491, 493	221116	Geothermal Electric Power Generation	\$0	100%
Use	491, 493	221117	<b>Biomass Electric Power Generation</b>	\$0	100%
Use	491, 493	221118	Other Electric Power Generation	\$0	100%
Use	491, 493	221121	Electric Bulk Power Transmission and Control	\$18,092,714	100%
Use	491, 493	221122	Electric Power Distribution	\$54,022,755	100%
Use	493	221210	Natural Gas Distribution	\$24,047,495	100%
Sales	364	332216	Saw Blade and Handtool Manufacturing	\$0	100%
Sales	369	333318	Other Commercial and Service Industry Machinery Manufacturing	\$0	60%

Method 1 - Lower Bound Estimates

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Sales	369	333992	Welding and Soldering Equipment Manufacturing	\$37,408	60%
Sales	364	335110	Electric Lamp Bulb and Part Manufacturing	\$0	100%
Sales	364	335121	Residential Electric Lighting Fixture Manufacturing	\$1,125,045	100%
Sales	364	335122	Commercial, Industrial, and Institutional Electric Lighting Fixture Manufacturing	\$0	100%
Sales	364, 369	335129	Other Lighting Equipment Manufacturing	\$0	60%
Sales	361	335311	Power, Distribution, and Specialty Transformer Manufacturing	\$12,884,552	100%
Sales	362	335312	Motor and Generator Manufacturing	\$2,362,762	100%
Sales	361	335313	Switchgear and Switchboard Apparatus Manufacturing	\$0	100%
Sales	362	335314	Relay and Industrial Control Manufacturing	\$123,528	100%
Sales	364	335931	Current-Carrying Wiring Device Manufacturing	\$1,999,974	100%
Sales	364	335932	Noncurrent-Carrying Wiring Device Manufacturing	\$0	100%
Sales	362	335991	Carbon and Graphite Product Manufacturing	\$0	100%
Sales	362, 369	335999	All Other Miscellaneous Electrical Equipment and Component Manufacturing	\$39,493,650	100%
Total I	Exempt Sal	es		\$221,623,693	

Based on this information, B&P and DOR estimate that this proposal could reduce TSR by \$9,363,602 (\$221,623,693 x 4.225%) and GR by \$6,648,711 (\$221,623,693 x 3.0%) annually. B&P notes, however, that this method of estimation likely does not capture all the taxable sales that would become exempt under this proposal, and that this impact reflects the bottom of the range for the decrease in revenue.

In order to determine an upper-bound estimate for the reduction to state revenues, B&P utilized the US BEA Input-Output Use Tables<sup>1</sup>. According to the Input-Output Use Tables, inputs from commodities that might qualify under these exemptions are roughly 25.0% of the total output of the "utilities" industry. In addition, DOR reports that taxable sales of electric related utilities in 2021 were about \$4,745,325,173. This suggests that this proposal might exempt \$1,187,127,714 in taxable sales from taxation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>http://www.bea.gov/industry/io\_annual.htm</u>

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Method 2 -	Upper	Bound	Estimate
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SIC NAICS	Description	CY 2019
491,       493       221111	Hydroelectric Power Generation	\$1,906,978,672
491,         221112           493         221112	Fossil Fuel Electric Power Generation	\$44,542,910
491, 493 221113	Nuclear Electric Power Generation	\$0
491, 493 221114	Solar Electric Power Generation	\$0
491, 493         221115	Wind Electric Power Generation	\$0
491, 493 221116	Geothermal Electric Power Generation	\$0
491, 493 221117	Biomass Electric Power Generation	\$0
491, 493         221118	Other Electric Power Generation	\$0
491, 493 221121	Electric Bulk Power Transmission and Control	\$29,154,298
491, 493         221122	Electric Power Distribution	\$2,296,158,628
492, 493 221210	Natural Gas Distribution	\$468,490,665
492 486210	Pipeline Transportation of Natural Gas	\$0
Total Sales		\$4,745,325,173
BEA Input / Outpu	BEA Input / Output Adjustment	
Total Exempt Sale	s	\$1,187,127,714

B&P estimates that this could reduce TSR by 50,156,146 ( $1,187,127,714 \times 4.225\%$ ) and GR by 35,613,831 ( $1,187,127,714 \times 3.0\%$ ) annually. B&P notes, however, that this method may overestimate the true reduction to state revenues by including items that would not become tax exempt under this proposal.

Therefore, using both the taxable sales reports provided by DOR and the US BEA Input-Output Use Tables, B&P estimates that this proposal could reduce TSR by \$9,363,602 to \$50,156,146 annually and GR by \$6,648,711 to \$35,613,831 once fully implemented in FY25.

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Table 5. State	Table 5. State Impacts by Fund					
Fund	FY 2024		FY 2025+			
runa	Low	High	Low	High		
GR	(\$5,540,593)	(\$29,678,193)	(\$6,648,711)	(\$35,613,831)		
Education	(\$1,846,864)	(\$9,892,731)	(\$2,216,237)	(\$11,871,277)		
Conservation	(\$230,858)	(\$1,236,592)	(\$277,030)	(\$1,483,910)		
DNR	(\$184,687)	(\$989,273)	(\$221,624)	(\$1,187,128)		
TSR Impact	(\$7,803,002)	(\$41,796,789)	(\$9,363,602)	(\$50,156,146)		
Locals						
(4.07%)	(\$7,516,737)	(\$40,263,415)	(\$9,020,084)	(\$48,316,098)		

Table 3: State Impacts by Fund

Officials from the **Department of Revenue** also note this proposal will require updates to their tax computer system and website. These changes are estimated at \$7,193.

**Oversight** assumes the Department of Revenue is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of activity each year. Oversight assumes DOR could absorb the computer system and website costs related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require additional staffing and duties at substantial costs, DOR could request funding through the appropriation process.

Officials from the **Department of Natural Resources** defer to the **Department of Revenue** for the potential fiscal impact of this proposal.

**Oversight** notes the Park, Soil, and Water Sales Tax funds are derived from the one-tenth of one percent sales and use tax pursuant to Article IV Section 47 (a) thus DNR's sales taxes are constitutional mandates. Oversight notes this proposed sales tax exemption would reduce the amount of amount of sales tax revenue distributed to the Park, Soil, and Water Sales Tax funds. Therefore, Oversight will reflect the B&P's and DOR's fiscal impact estimates for DNR's funds.

Officials from the **Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC)** assume this proposal would have an unknown fiscal impact. MDC notes the Conservation Sales Tax funds are derived from one-eighth of one percent sales and use tax pursuant to Article IV Section 43 (a) of the Missouri Constitution. The Department defers to the Department of Revenue as it is responsible for tax collection and would be better able to estimate the anticipated fiscal impact that would result from this proposal.

**Oversight** notes this proposed sales tax exemption would reduce the amount of sales tax revenue distributed to the Conservation Sales Tax funds. Therefore, Oversight will reflect the B&P's and DOR's fiscal impact estimates for MDC's funds.

Officials from the **City of Kansas City** estimate this proposal will have a negative fiscal impact to the City of Kansas City of approximately \$12 million or more annually.

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Officials from the **City of Springfield** assume this proposal would have a negative fiscal impact on their city of an indeterminate amount.

**Oversight** notes the above local political subdivisions stated this proposal would have a negative fiscal impact on their respective cities. Oversight assumes this proposed sales tax exemption would reduce the amount of sales tax revenue to local political subdivisions. Therefore, Oversight will note B&P and DOR's estimates for all local political subdivisions on the fiscal note.

Officials from the South River Drainage District - 7D Levee, Wayne County PWSD #2, Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District - 7B Sewer, each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

**Oversight** only reflects the responses received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other local political subdivisions and electric companies and coops were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. A listing of political subdivisions included in the MOLIS database is available upon request.

<u>Senate Amendment 1 – requires public utilities to provide to the Department of Commerce and</u> <u>Insurance – Public Service Commission a report on the amount of savings from this sales tax</u> <u>exemption.</u>

**Oversight** assumes this amendment would not create a material fiscal impact to the state or local political subdivisions.

## Senate Amendment 2 - Renewable Energy Standard

In response to a similar proposal (SCS for SB 374), officials from the **Department of Commerce and Insurance - Public Service Commission (PSC)** stated this proposal may require a rulemaking by the PSC in order to implement the provisions. Rulemakings generally result in an estimated cost of up to approximately \$4,700.

PSC is funded by an assessment on Commission-regulated public utilities pursuant to Section 386.370, RSMo, and not by any state general appropriations. Depending on the cumulative effect of all PSC-impacting legislation passed in the current session and the associated increased costs associated with that legislation to the PSC, the PSC may need to request an increase in their appropriation authority and/or FTE allocation as appropriate through the budget process.

**Oversight** assumes PSC could absorb the costs related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require additional staffing and duties at substantial costs, PSC could request funding through the assessment process. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note.

FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2024 (10 Mo.)	FY 2025	FY 2026
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
Revenue Reduction - Section 144.058 -			
Sales/Use Tax exemption for	<u>(\$5,540,593 to</u>	<u>(\$6,648,711 to</u>	<u>(\$6,648,711 to</u>
production of electricity p. 3-7	<u>\$29,678,193)</u>	<u>\$35,613,831)</u>	<u>\$35,613,831)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON	<u>(\$5,540,593 to</u>	<u>(\$6,648,711 to</u>	<u>(\$6,648,711 to</u>
GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>\$29,678,193)</u>	<u>\$35,613,831)</u>	<u>\$35,613,831)</u>
SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUST FUND (0688)			
Revenue Reduction - Section 144.058 -			
Sales/Use Tax exemption for	<u>(\$1,846,864 to</u>	(\$2,216,237 to	(\$2,216,237 to
production of electricity p. 3-7	\$9,892,731)	<u>(\$2,210,237 to</u> \$11,871,277)	\$11,871,277)
production of electricity p. 5 7	<u>\$7,072,751</u>	<u>\u03c911,071,277</u>	<u>\u03c911,071,277</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON	<u>(\$1,846,864 to</u>	<u>(\$2,216,237 to</u>	<u>(\$2,216,237 to</u>
SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUST FUND	<u>\$9,892,731)</u>	<u>\$11,871,277)</u>	<u>\$11,871,277)</u>
CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND (0609)			
Revenue Reduction - Section 144.058 -			
Sales/Use Tax exemption for	(\$230,858 to	(\$277,030 to	(\$277,030 to
production of electricity p. 3-7	\$1,236,592)	\$1,483,910)	<u>\$1,483,910)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON			
CONSERVATION COMMISSION	<u>(\$230,858 to</u>	<u>(\$277,030 to</u>	<u>(\$277,030 to</u>
FUND	<u>\$1,236,592)</u>	<u>\$1,483,910)</u>	<u>\$1,483,910)</u>

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FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
(continued)	(10 Mo.)		
PARKS AND SOILS STATE SALES			
TAX FUNDS (0613 & 0614)			
Revenue Reduction - Section 144.058 -			
Sales/Use Tax exemption for	<u>(\$184,687 to</u>	<u>(\$221,624 to</u>	<u>(\$221,624 to</u>
production of electricity p. 3-7	<u>\$989,273)</u>	<u>\$1,187,128)</u>	<u>\$1,187,128)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON			
PARKS AND SOILS STATE SALES	<u>(\$184,687 to</u>	<u>(\$221,624 to</u>	<u>(\$221,624 to</u>
TAX FUNDS	<u>\$989,273)</u>	<u>\$1,187,128)</u>	<u>\$1,187,128)</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
	(10 Mo.)		
LOCAL POLITICAL			
SUBDIVISIONS			
Revenue Reduction - Section 144.058 -			
Sales/Use Tax exemption for	<u>(\$7,516,737 to</u>	<u>(\$9,020,084 to</u>	<u>(\$9,020,084 to</u>
production of electricity p. 3-7	<u>\$40,263,415)</u>	<u>\$48,316,098)</u>	<u>\$48,316,098)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON			
LOCAL POLITICAL	<u>(\$7,516,737 to</u>	<u>(\$9,020,084 to</u>	<u>(\$9,020,084 to</u>
SUBDIVISIONS	<u>\$40,263,415)</u>	<u>\$48,316,098)</u>	<u>\$48,316,098)</u>

## FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

Businesses who qualify for the exemption under this proposed legislation could be impacted, as they would no longer be required to remit the tax on such items.

#### FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation provides a sales tax exemption for the production of electricity.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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#### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Administration - Budget and Planning Department of Revenue Department of Natural Resources South River Drainage District - 7D Levee Wayne County PWSD #2, Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District - 7B Sewer City of Kansas City City of Springfield

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