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## **Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

The fiscal effect of the proposed legislation is indeterminate. The proposed legislation prohibits an electric service provider from counting, for its renewable portfolio standard (RPS), electricity generated by hydroelectric facilities located outside of the United States. Currently, no electricity from hydroelectric facilities located outside of the United States is being used to meet a municipal utility's RPS obligations. However, a municipal utility could, in the future, purchase hydroelectric power generated outside of the United States and count it towards its RPS. Also, some municipalities contract with an investor-owned utility to provide all of a municipality's electricity and some of these arrangements include meeting RPS requirements. The electricity purchased through these agreements that is counted toward meeting the RPS requirements could, in the future, include electricity generated at a hydroelectric facility outside of the United States.

Prohibiting a provider from counting, for its RPS, electricity generated by hydroelectric facilities located outside of the United States could have a fiscal impact to municipal providers, but the impact is indeterminate. How much electricity generated by a hydroelectric facility located outside of the United States might in the future be included in municipal utilities' renewable portfolios is unknown. Use of electricity generated by a hydroelectric facility located outside of the United States is only one option currently available to meet a provider's RPS. Providers have several other options for complying with their RPS requirement.

Please note, this fiscal estimate is not an evaluation of the probable impact of AB 734 on the cost or reliability of electricity generation, transmission, or distribution or of fuels used in generating electricity.

## **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

Indeterminate.