

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DNR 10/19/2017

LRB Number	17-4522/1	Introduction Number	SB-475	Estimate Type	Original
Description one-call system enforcement and other requirements, Public Service Commission authority regarding state energy policy, settlements between parties in Public Service Commission dockets, various public utility regulatory requirements, the regulation of utility facilities under a county construction site erosion control and storm water management zoning ordinance, granting rule-making authority, and providing a penalty					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill makes changes to the treatment under a county construction site erosion control and storm water management zoning ordinance as it relates to the construction or maintenance of a facility used for the transmission, delivery or furnishing of natural gas, heat, light or power and is owned by a public utility or cooperative organized for the purpose of producing or furnishing heat, light, or power to its members.

Under the bill, the construction and maintenance of a facility is considered to satisfy such a zoning ordinance if DNR has issued all required navigable water, water and sewage, and pollution discharge permits or approvals, if construction and maintenance is conducted in a manner that employs best management practices to infiltrate or otherwise control storm water runoff.

A. State Fiscal Effect

The bill has no fiscal impact to the Department of Natural Resources.

B. Local Fiscal Effect

Regulated utilities currently apply for and obtain required County Storm Water Management and Erosion Control permits, including applicable fees.

Since the bill would eliminate the need for described County permits, including applicable fees, it would result in an indeterminate reduction in County permit fee revenues.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications