

Subject Nuclear energy

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Summary

House File 4711 authorizes a utility to include a nuclear-powered electric generating plan in its Integrated Resource Plan submitted to the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission. Under a resource plan, a utility analyzes supply options to meet customer demand for electricity over a 15-year period and selects a preferred set of resources, which is reviewed, and may be approved or modified, by the commission.

Section 2 of the bill requires the Department of Commerce to apply for all federal funding opportunities related to nuclear-powered electric generating plants, and to report annually to the legislature on the results of those applications and the reasons why the department failed to apply for opportunities because it considered the state to be ineligible for funding.