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Fiscal Assessment of L.003 to HB26-1226

This memorandum is an assessment of the fiscal impact of the attached proposed amendment L.003 to House Bill 26-1226. This fiscal assessment is for the impact of the bill with inclusion of this amendment only. Any other added amendment could influence the fiscal impact.

Summary of Proposed Amendment

Amendment L.003 extends the deadlines for coal-fired power plants to comply with emissions limits from December 31, 2030, to December 31, 2034. It exempts from compliance electric generating units in operation that burn natural gas, fuel oil, or both on or before December 31, 2034, and units that cease operations or convert to burn natural gas, fuel oil, or both on or before December 31, 2034. The amendment also requires the installation of pollution controls on units that continue to operate.

Fiscal Impact of Amendment

By extending the timelines, and requiring the installation of pollution controls, Amendment L.003 eliminates the fiscal impact of the bill identified in the fiscal note dated February 25, 2026.

Bill's Revised Fiscal Impact with Amendment

As amended, the bill minimally increases workload for the Department of Public Health and Environment to develop emissions limits and report to the General Assembly on coal-fired power plants that continue to operate. The PUC will have additional reporting to review within existing energy resource plan review periods regarding covered electric generating units and cost recovery proposals. This can be accomplished within the normal course of business, and no appropriation is required.



Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts with Amendment L.003

Type of Impact	Budget Year FY 2025-26	Out Year FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE