

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 09-2227/2	Introduction Number AB-0309	Estimate Type Original
Description Dry cask storage of spent fuel from nuclear power plants and granting rule-making authority		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill proposes a payment schedule for a public utility who owns a nuclear power plant and stores waste in dry cask containers on site. Payments would be made to the county and municipality where the plant is located. As written the bill would have no fiscal impact up or down on Wisconsin municipalities. This is because the entities operating the Point Beach and Kewaunee nuclear plants are not included under the definition of a public utility.

If the current owners, or new owners, were public utilities under this bill the Town of Two Creeks would be paid an estimated \$1.2M for casks stored at Point Beach and \$250,000 for the year the casks were stored. Including the payment to the county, local government would receive estimated payments totaling \$1.6M the first year for Point Beach. For the Kewaunee plant it is estimated that the Town of Carlton would receive \$160,000 for cask storage and the \$250,000 fee for a total of \$410,000. Including the payment to the county, local government would receive estimated payments totaling \$560,000 the first year for Kewaunee.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None