

**BILL SUMMARY**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 59<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>SB1913</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>Engrossed</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Rep. Newton</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>\$193,790 in Recurring Costs</b> <b>\$47,967 in One-Time Costs</b>

**Research Analysis**

The engrossed version of SB 1913 requires all new wind energy facilities to install light-mitigating technology that complies with FAA regulations.

Any wind energy facility currently operating must install light-mitigating technology upon a re-powering of the facility or entrance into/renewal of a new power offtake agreement. Counties are authorized to issue revenue bonds to pay for the light-mitigating technology, but any costs associated with the installation or maintenance are the responsibility of the facility operator.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

SB 1913 requires any future wind energy facilities to install light-mitigating technology that complies with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations. Per the Corporation Commission, this measure would require the need for two additional full-time equivalents (FTE) with required equipment, resulting in approximately One Hundred Ninety-three Thousand Seven Hundred ninety dollars (\$193,790.00) in recurring annual costs to the agency. The Corporation Commission also estimates this measure would require approximately Forty-seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-seven dollars (\$47,967.00) in one-time costs to establish the rule changes regarding the provisions of this measure.

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**Other Considerations**

None.