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Research Analysis

The engrossed version of SB 847 requires the Department of Environmental Quality, in coordination with the Secretary of Energy and Environment, to study the feasibility of establishing nuclear facilities in the state. The DEQ must deliver a report on their findings by February 1, 2025.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB847 directs the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to conduct a study on the feasibility of a nuclear power plant in the state. According the DEQ, the cost of such a study is about seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000.00). This is for contracts for services to help with research federal criteria that must be met, GIS mapping of sites, and working with the Oklahoma Corporation Commission on a needs assessment. This base study does not assume that any field work will be required, such as geological testing of the site. Given the costs requirements to DEQ to complete the study, this measure creates a potential fiscal impact to the state of \$750,000.00.

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Other Considerations

None.

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