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MEMORANDUM

To: Chairman Holmes and members of the House Energy and Utilities Committee
From: Matt Sterling, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
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Subject: Senate Bill 419

SB 419 amends K.S.A. 66-1260 concerning the determination of the retail rate impact of the renewable energy standards act. Under current law, the retail rate impact is determined net of new nonrenewable alternative sources of electricity supply reasonably available at the time of the determination. The bill would require the commission to annually determine the statewide retail rate impact resulting from affected utilities meeting the renewable portfolio requirement.

“Affected utilities” are defined in the act as any electric public utility that sells or generates electricity, but does not include any portion of any municipally owned or operated electric utility.

The submission of the information pertaining to an affected utility's portfolio requirement would be determined by the commission. Beginning next year, the commission would annually provide the legislature with a report of the statewide retail rate impact.