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MEMORANDUM

To: Committee on Utilities
From: Nick Myers, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Date: February 13, 2024
Subject: Bill Brief – Senate Bill 455

Senate Bill 455 would amend K.S.A. 66-1239 to authorize an electric public utility to retain any coal-fired electric generating facility in the utility’s generation mix if the state corporation commission determines that it is just, reasonable and necessary to do so. SB 455 would authorize the public utility to retain any such coal-fired electric generating facility in the utility’s rate base, recover operating expenses for such facility, and recover any portion of rate base and expenses that are necessary for such facilities to operate at a low-capacity factor or to provide additional capacity while remaining offline during normal operating conditions.

If enacted, SB 455 would take effect on July 1, 2024.