} 3 18 2025 **}**

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE









AGENDA

- STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Update on OPPD bills of interest

• FEDERAL UPDATE

- Executive Orders
- Reconciliation
- LIHEAP
- Tariffs



* STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



STATE LEGISLATION - POSITION OF SUPPORT

- LB 43 DeKay Change provisions relating to notice and certification requirements for electric generation facilities, transmission lines, and privately developed renewable energy generation facilities located near military installations
 - All parties agreed to an amendment to address concerns which moved OPPD's position to support
 - 2/25 Approved by Governor
- LB 50 DeKay Change provisions relating to the distribution of the nameplate capacity tax
 - Hearing 2/19, OPPD submitted a letter of support, 2/25 Placed on General File
- LB 117 Holdcroft Provide a sales and use tax exemption for electricity, natural gas, propane, and sewer utilities
 - Hearing 1/31, OPPD submitted a letter of support



STATE LEGISLATION - POSITION OF SUPPORT

- LB 163 Spivey Create the Office of Climate Action
 - Hearing 1/30, OPPD submitted letter of support
- LB 271 Storer Provide for an offense of interference with railroad infrastructure,
 equipment, and personnel
 - Hearing 3/5
- LB 290 McKinney Change provisions relating to grant funding for a business park under the Economic Recovery Act
 - Hearing 1/28, OPPD submitted letter of support, 2/6 Placed on General File, 3/10 Advanced to Select File
- LB 396 DeKay Change provisions relating to the form and filing of public power district budgets and audits with the Nebraska Power Review Board
 - Hearing 2/6, 3/13 Passed on Final Reading



STATE LEGISLATION - POSITION OF SUPPORT

- LB 413 Clouse Change provisions relating to the setting of rates by certain power districts
 - Hearing 2/5
- LB 489 Brandt Prohibit certain entities from operating, maintaining, constructing or acquiring transmission lines and related facilities
 - Hearing 2/5, OPPD testified in support
- LB 546 Rountree Change provisions relating to proclamations for disasters, emergencies and civil defense emergencies made by the Governor
 - Hearing 3/12, OPPD testified in support



STATE LEGISLATION - POSITION OF OPPOSITION

- LB 129 McKeon Prohibit restrictions on the provision of certain energy services
 - Hearing 1/29, Agreed to an amendment to address concerns
- LB 175 Hallstrom Provide duties for the successor in interest of a railroad
 - Hearing 3/10, OPPD testified in opposition
- LB 311 DeBoer Change provisions relating to nonregulated activities under the Nebraska Telecommunications Regulation Act
 - Hearing 2/11, working with Senator DeBoer to address concerns
 - Transportation and Telecommunications Committee priority bill



STATE LEGISLATION - POSITION OF OPPOSITION

- LB 349 Prokop Change provisions relating to applications, notices, filings, exemptions, and violations regarding the construction or acquisition of certain electric energy storage resources by electric suppliers
 - Hearing 3/6, OPPD testified in opposition
- LB 503 Bosn Authorize the designation of American energy friendly counties and change provisions relating to privately developed renewable energy generation facilities and the nameplate capacity tax
 - Hearing 2/19, OPPD testified in opposition
- LB 571 J. Cavanaugh Require cost-of-living adjustments for retirees for any public power district that operates a defined benefits program
 - Hearing 2/28, OPPD testified in opposition



STATE LEGISLATION - MONITOR BILLS OF HIGH INTEREST*

- LB 169 Brandt Sales tax exemptions
- LB 193 Andersen Pacific conflict changes
- LB 526 Jacobson Crypto mining
- LB 611 Urban Affairs Committee Building codes
- LB 644 Bostar Foreign Adversary
- LB 660 Andersen Purchase of drones
 - OPPD testified in Neutral Capacity
 - Andersen priority bill

^{*}Monitoring many other bills for amendments





FEDERAL UPDATE



FEDERAL UPDATE

- Executive Orders
 - Courts weigh in
 - Staff cuts
 - DELAYS
- Reconciliation
 - o Tax exempt financing repeal under consideration \$250-300 billion
 - Border Adjustment Tax (BAT) \$250 billion
 - o IRA/IIJA
- LIHEAP funding
- Tariffs Mexico, Canada, and China