



# County Energy Discussion

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# SEA 425 – Energy Production Zones

- Provides that a project owner is not required to apply for or receive a zoning permit from a local authority for the construction of a facility if:
  - the Indiana utility regulatory commission (commission):
    - grants the project owner a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the construction or
    - declines jurisdiction over the construction
  - the electric generation facility will be located on a premise of land on which there was located as of January 1, 2025:
    - an existing electric generation facility with a generating capacity of at least 80 megawatts or
    - a former surface or underground mine
  - the project owner complies with specified notice and hearing requirements.
- Does not include a wind power device or commercial solar energy system

# SEA 425 – Part 2

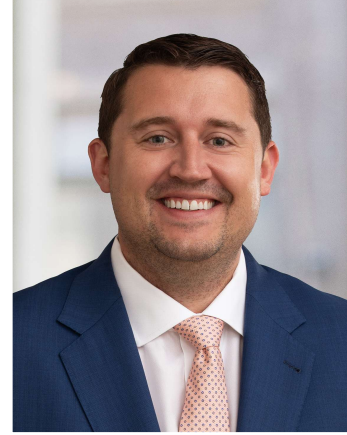
- Provides that a deadline in an ordinance for commencing or completing a permitted use is paused until two years after the conclusion of any litigation or regulatory proceeding regarding the granting of the permit.
- Up or down vote.
- Provides that land use and zoning are in place at the time a permit is issued continue to apply unless the development is not completed within 10 years.
- Authorizes a political subdivision or a local authority to prohibit, for a period of not more than one year, the siting, construction, installation, permitting, or deployment of a project.
- Provides that after an advisory plan commission certifies a proposal to adopt, amend, or partially repeal the text of a zoning ordinance, the legislative body must take final action to adopt, amend, or reject the proposal. (Current law provides that after the legislative body acts on the proposal, the proposal returns to the plan commission for further proceedings.)

# What's Next in Energy

- Data Centers
- SMRs
- Sighting Legislation 2026?
- Home Rule
- New IURC



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