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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION**

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**SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION**

*{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}*

**Date Prepared:** 2/21/25 *Check all that apply:*  
**Bill Number:** SB 469 Original  Correction   
 Amendment  Substitute

**Sponsor:** Sen. Pete Campos **Agency Name and Code:** 430 – Public Regulation Commission  
**Short Title:** Removal of Fire Hazard Trees **Number:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**

**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
	\$15,000.0	Nonrecurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate expenditure decreases)

**REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate revenue decreases)

**ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)**

	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
<b>Total</b>						

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:  
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

### **SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

#### **BILL SUMMARY**

Synopsis: Senate Bill 469 (SB 469) appropriates \$15 million from the General Fund to the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) for Mora County to remove hazard trees near power transmission lines operated by the Mora-San Miguel Electric Cooperative. Any unused funds will revert to the General Fund at the end of FY26.

#### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

#### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

The successful removal of hazard trees near power transmission lines depends on coordination between the electric provider and government and private landowners. This bill does not specify criteria for selection of hazard trees nor how compliance is achieved, documented or verified.

#### **PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

None

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

None

#### **CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

Relates to SB 281 & HB 334, both titled the "Rural Electric Co-op Wildfire Liability Act," which requires cooperatives to develop a Wildfire Mitigation Plan outlining mitigation effort, including vegetation management, to qualify for benefits under the Act.

#### **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

N/A

#### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

N/A

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

N/A

#### **WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

Status Quo

#### **AMENDMENTS**

N/A