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Bill Analysis

SB 713 requires the owner or operator of a new wind energy facility to apply to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for installation of a light-mitigating technology system that complies with FAA regulations. If approved, the owner shall install the system within 24 months of receipt of approval. Owners of existing facilities shall apply to the FAA upon the repowering of the wind energy facility or entrance into or renewal of a new power offtake agreement. The measure authorizes counties to issue a bond to pay for all or part of the costs. Costs associated with installation, implementation, operation, and maintenance shall remain with the operator.

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