

## HB 2140 -- CARBON DIOXIDE EMISSIONS STANDARDS

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This bill requires the Missouri Air Conservation Commission within the Department of Natural Resources to establish separate standards of performance for carbon dioxide emissions from existing coal- and natural gas-fired electric generating units. The standards must be adjusted on a case-by-case basis and implemented according to the provisions of the bill based on criteria specified in the bill. In establishing the standard for any existing fossil fuel-fired electric generating unit, the commission must consider in all cases whether to adopt less stringent standards or longer compliance schedules than those provided for in applicable federal rules and guidelines based on specified factors. The commission may implement the standards of performance through regulatory mechanisms that provide flexibility in complying with the standards, including the averaging of emissions, emissions trading, or other alternative implementation measures. The commission cannot propose or submit to the federal Environmental Protection Agency any plan establishing standards for existing fossil fuel-fired electric generating units that is inconsistent with these provisions.