

1-1 By: Perry S.B. No. 1171
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 23, 2023; March 9, 2023,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce;
 1-4 April 26, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11,
 1-5 Nays 0; April 26, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the disclosure of customer information by
 1-22 government-operated utilities.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 182.054, Utilities Code, is amended to
 1-25 read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 182.054. EXCEPTIONS. This subchapter does not
 1-27 prohibit a government-operated utility from disclosing personal
 1-28 information in a customer's account record to:

1-29 (1) an official or employee of the state, a political
 1-30 subdivision of the state, or the United States acting in an official
 1-31 capacity;

1-32 (2) an employee of a utility acting in connection with
 1-33 the employee's duties;

1-34 (3) a consumer reporting agency;

1-35 (4) a contractor or subcontractor approved by and
 1-36 providing services to the utility, the state, a political
 1-37 subdivision of the state, or the United States;

1-38 (5) a person for whom the customer has contractually
 1-39 waived confidentiality for personal information; ~~or~~

1-40 (6) another entity that provides water, wastewater,
 1-41 sewer, gas, garbage, electricity, or drainage service for
 1-42 compensation;

1-43 (7) another entity as necessary to facilitate the
 1-44 transition of customers among retail electric providers under
 1-45 Section 40.053 or to comply with rules, guidelines, and procedures
 1-46 established by an independent organization certified under Section
 1-47 39.151; or

1-48 (8) a retail electric provider, as defined by Section
 1-49 31.002(17).

1-50 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-51 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-52 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-53 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-54 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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