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S.B. No. 761

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to cost allocations in power regions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 39.151(a), Utilities Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) A power region must establish one or more independent organizations to perform the following functions:

(1) ensure access to the transmission and distribution systems for all buyers and sellers of electricity on nondiscriminatory terms;

(2) ensure the reliability and adequacy of the regional electrical network;

(3) ensure that information relating to a customer's choice of retail electric provider is conveyed in a timely manner to the persons who need that information; ~~and~~

(4) ensure that electricity production and delivery are accurately accounted for among the generators and wholesale buyers and sellers in the region; and

(5) ensure that transmission congestion costs are equally spread to all electric consumers in the region.

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

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.