

Amend CSSB 482 (House Committee Printing) by adding the following SECTION to the bill, appropriately numbered, and renumbering the subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. (a) Subchapter A, Chapter 39, Utilities Code, is amended by adding Section 39.0015 to read as follows:

Sec. 39.0015. DELAY OF RETAIL COMPETITION. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the commission may not implement or consider the implementation of retail electric competition in an area in this state that is not currently engaged in retail electric competition unless a law enacted after the effective date of this section requires that action.

(b) Not later than the 180th day after the effective date of this Act, an electric utility operating in this state that is subject to traditional cost of service rate regulation and that on the effective date of this Act has a transition to competition plan on file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas shall:

- (1) withdraw the plan from the commission;
- (2) cease all activities related to the plan; and
- (3) file with the commission an application for recovery of any costs incurred as a result of the preparation, filing, and implementation of the plan.

(c) An electric utility described by Section 39.0015, Utilities Code, as added by this section, is entitled to recover the costs described by Subsection (b)(3) of this section.