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H.B. No. 3241

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to energy efficiency incentive programs administered by  
3 electric utilities.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 39.905(a), Utilities Code, is amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (a) It is the goal of the legislature that:

8 (1) electric utilities will administer energy savings  
9 incentive programs in a market-neutral, nondiscriminatory manner  
10 but will not offer underlying competitive services;

11 (2) all customers, in all customer classes, have a  
12 choice of and access to energy efficiency alternatives and other  
13 choices from the market that allow each customer to reduce energy  
14 consumption, peak demand, or energy costs; and

15 (3) each electric utility will provide, through  
16 market-based standard offer programs or limited, targeted,  
17 market-transformation programs, incentives sufficient for retail  
18 electric providers and competitive energy service providers to  
19 acquire additional cost-effective energy efficiency equivalent to  
20 at least 20 [~~10~~] percent of the electric utility's annual growth in  
21 demand.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.