

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**TO:** Honorable Phil King, Chair, House Committee on Regulated Industries

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1902** by King, Phil (Relating to the confidentiality of certain information involving the Public Utility Commission and the wholesale electric market monitor.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Utilities Code to provide that information provided to or obtained by the wholesale electric market monitor is confidential and therefore exempt from certain public disclosure requirements. This bill would provide that the Public Utility Commission is not required to conduct an open meeting to deliberate a matter made confidential by law or to discuss or consider information that is confidential by law.

Based on the analysis of the Public Utility Commission, it is assumed that duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

This bill would take immediately upon receiving a vote of two-thirds of all members elected to each house or would otherwise take effect on September 1, 2007.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 473 Public Utility Commission of Texas

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