By: Gallego H.B. No. 1753

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the threshold amount at which public utilities are
- 3 required to report a transaction.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 14.101(a), Utilities Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 (a) Unless a public utility reports the transaction to the
- 8 commission within a reasonable time, the public utility may not:
- 9 (1) sell, acquire, or lease a plant as an operating
- 10 unit or system in this state for a total consideration of more than
- 11 \$10 million [\$100,000]; or
- 12 (2) merge or consolidate with another public utility
- 13 operating in this state.
- 14 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 15 to an agreement for the sale, acquisition, or lease of a plant that
- 16 is entered into on or after the effective date of this Act. An
- 17 agreement for the sale, acquisition, or lease of a plant that is
- 18 entered into before the effective date of this Act is governed by
- 19 the law applicable to the agreement immediately before the
- 20 effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for
- 21 that purpose.
- 22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.