By: Frullo H.B. No. 2498

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to requiring certain non-ERCOT utilities to comply with

3 energy efficiency goals.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 39.402(a), Utilities Code, is amended to

6 read as follows:

- 7 (a) Until the [later of January 1, 2007, or the] date on
- 8 which an electric utility subject to this subchapter is authorized
- 9 by the commission to implement customer choice, the rates of the
- 10 utility shall be regulated under traditional cost of service
- 11 regulation and the utility is subject to all applicable regulatory
- 12 authority prescribed by this subtitle and Subtitle A, including
- 13 Chapters 14, 32, 33, 36, and 37. Until the date on which an electric
- 14 utility subject to this subchapter implements customer choice, the
- 15 provisions of this chapter, other than this subchapter, Sections
- 16 [Section] 39.904 and 39.905, and the provisions relating to the
- 17 duty to obtain a permit from the Texas [Natural Resource
- 18 Conservation Commission on Environmental Quality for an electric
- 19 generating facility and to reduce emissions from an electric
- 20 generating facility, shall not apply to that utility. That portion
- 21 of any commission order entered before September 1, 2001, to comply
- 22 with this subchapter shall be null and void.
- 23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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- 1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 3 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.