

By: King of Taylor

H.B. No. 3166

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the authority of the Public Utility Commission of Texas  
to implement a temporary price cap in certain situations.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 39, Utilities Code, is  
amended by adding Section 39.1571 to read as follows:

Sec. 39.1571. COMMISSION AUTHORITY DURING EXTREME  
CONGESTION EVENT. The commission by rule shall establish:

(1) a method to implement a temporary shadow price cap  
of \$500 per megawatt to prevent retail customers from absorbing  
unusually high congestion charges during an extreme congestion  
event;

(2) criteria to define an "extreme congestion event";  
and

(3) a method to determine what unusually high  
congestion charges are.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.