

1-1 By: Watson S.B. No. 1280  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 6, 2013; March 13, 2013, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Business and Commerce;  
 1-4 April 11, 2013, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 2; April 11, 2013,  
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1280 By: Watson

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to attaining reserve capacity margins in power regions to  
 1-22 meet expected peak demand.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 39, Utilities Code, is  
 1-25 amended by adding Section 39.161 to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 39.161. POWER REGION RESERVE MARGIN. (a) Not later  
 1-27 than July 1 of each year, the independent organization certified  
 1-28 under Section 39.151 for each power region shall study and project  
 1-29 for the following year the:

1-30 (1) anticipated and installed generation capacity  
 1-31 located in or capable of delivering electricity to the power  
 1-32 region;

1-33 (2) expected peak demand in the power region; and  
 1-34 (3) amount of reserve capacity necessary to maintain a  
 1-35 reliability standard set by the commission for the power region.

1-36 (b) If the independent organization determines under  
 1-37 Subsection (a) that the amount of reserve capacity available for  
 1-38 the following year will not maintain the reliability standard  
 1-39 relative to the expected peak demand and a capacity deficit may  
 1-40 occur, the organization shall acquire incremental capacity through  
 1-41 opt-in load participation programs, with at least 20 percent of the  
 1-42 incremental capacity being attained from each of the following  
 1-43 classes:

- 1-44 (1) residential;
- 1-45 (2) commercial; and
- 1-46 (3) industrial.

1-47 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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