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H.B. No. 2558

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the length of a billing period for a propane gas customer.

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

SECTION 1. Section 141.003(a), Utilities Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In each billing month, a distribution system retailer shall charge a customer a just and reasonable rate for propane gas provided through a propane gas system to the customer. For the purposes of this section, a just and reasonable rate charged monthly for propane gas is a rate for propane gas provided through a propane gas system to the customer if it is less than or equal to the allowable spot price plus the allowable markup. For a customer's bill that contains days in more than one month, the month with the most days covered by the bill shall be considered the billing month. A customer's bill may not include charges for a period of more than 31 days. The price per gallon shall be converted to the cubic foot rate by dividing the price per gallon by 36.4.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a billing period that begins on or after the effective date of this Act. A billing period that begins before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the billing period began, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.