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H.B. No. 4525

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to state agency energy savings programs.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 447, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 447.014 to read as follows:

Sec. 447.014. STATE AGENCY ENERGY SAVINGS PROGRAM. (a)

Each state agency shall develop and submit to the state energy conservation office and the Legislative Budget Board a plan to:

(1) conserve energy, including reducing the use of electricity, gasoline, and natural gas by at least 10 percent by December 1, 2020;

(2) reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 40 percent by 2030; and

(3) obtain up to 25 percent of the energy used by the agency from carbon-free sources, including wind or solar energy, by 2030.

(b) A plan described by Subsection (a) must project fiscal savings associated with the plan and a percentage of overall carbon emissions reduction.

(c) Each state agency shall submit quarterly to the state energy conservation office and the Legislative Budget Board a report describing progress towards implementing the plan described by Subsection (a) and any additional ideas for energy savings.

SECTION 2. (a) Not later than January 1, 2021, each state

1 agency shall deliver to the state energy conservation office and
2 the Legislative Budget Board the plan required by Section
3 447.014(a), Government Code, as added by this Act.

4 (b) Not later than April 1, 2021, each state agency shall
5 deliver to the state energy conservation office and the Legislative
6 Budget Board the first quarterly report required by Section
7 447.014(c), Government Code, as added by this Act.

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.