

1-1 By: Hancock S.B. No. 475  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 25, 2019; February 14, 2019,  
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce;  
 1-4 March 27, 2019, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; March 27, 2019,  
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8 Hancock	X			
1-9 Nichols	X			
1-10 Campbell	X			
1-11 Creighton	X			
1-12 Menéndez			X	
1-13 Paxton	X			
1-14 Schwertner	X			
1-15 Whitmire	X			
1-16 Zaffirini	X			

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 475 By: Hancock

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

1-21 relating to an advisory body on the security of the electric grid.  
 1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
 1-23 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 39, Utilities Code, is  
 1-24 amended by adding Section 39.917 to read as follows:  
 1-25 Sec. 39.917. TEXAS ELECTRIC GRID SECURITY COUNCIL.  
 1-26 (a) The legislature finds that there is a public interest in  
 1-27 mitigating the risk of cyber and physical attacks that may affect  
 1-28 the reliability of electric systems operating in Texas. The Texas  
 1-29 Electric Grid Security Council is established as an advisory body  
 1-30 to facilitate the creation, aggregation, coordination, and  
 1-31 dissemination of best security practices for the electric industry,  
 1-32 including the generation, transmission, and delivery of  
 1-33 electricity.  
 1-34 (b) The Texas Electric Grid Security Council is composed of:  
 1-35 (1) the commissioner designated as presiding officer  
 1-36 of the commission under Section 12.052 or a representative  
 1-37 designated by the commissioner;  
 1-38 (2) the chief executive officer of the independent  
 1-39 organization certified under Section 39.151 for the ERCOT power  
 1-40 region or a representative designated by the chief executive  
 1-41 officer; and  
 1-42 (3) the governor or a representative designated by the  
 1-43 governor.  
 1-44 (c) The member of the council designated by Subsection  
 1-45 (b)(1) shall serve as presiding officer.  
 1-46 (d) The council shall convene at the call of the presiding  
 1-47 officer.  
 1-48 (e) A member of the council is not entitled to compensation.  
 1-49 Members are entitled to reimbursement for travel and other  
 1-50 necessary expenses related to the activities of the council as  
 1-51 provided by the General Appropriations Act.  
 1-52 (f) A member of the council may apply for a secret security  
 1-53 clearance or an interim security clearance granted by the United  
 1-54 States government. A member of the council may not access  
 1-55 classified information or participate in a briefing or meeting  
 1-56 involving classified information unless the member has a secret  
 1-57 security clearance.  
 1-58 (g) The independent organization certified under Section  
 1-59 39.151 shall provide information and resources requested by the  
 1-60 council.

