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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to electric reliability standards adopted by the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 38.005, Utilities Code, is amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

(g)  The independent organization described by Section 39.151 shall determine the amount of reserve capacity necessary to maintain a 1 in 10 reliability standard in the ERCOT power region.

SECTION 2.  Not later than January 1, 2022, the Public Utility Commission of Texas shall determine whether the reliability standards adopted under Section 38.005(g), Utilities Code, as added by this Act, ensure that the Electric Reliability Council of Texas power region's electrical network maintains the necessary amount of reserve capacity. The Public Utility Commission of Texas shall report its findings under this section to the legislature.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2021.