By:  Paxton S.B. No. 1272

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the sunset review process and certain governmental entities subject to that process.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 12.005, Utilities Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12.005.  APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Public Utility Commission of Texas is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter or by Chapter 39, the commission is abolished and this title expires September 1, 2023 [~~2025~~]. The Sunset Advisory Commission may recommend that the Public Utility Commission of Texas decertify an independent organization certified under Section 39.151 for the ERCOT power region.

SECTION 2.  Section 13.002, Utilities Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 13.002.  APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Office of Public Utility Counsel is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter, the office is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2023 [~~2025~~].

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.