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H.B. No. 2661

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to rolling blackouts.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 38, Utilities Code, is amended by adding Section 38.074 to read as follows:

Sec. 38.074. ROLLING BLACKOUTS. The commission by rule shall require each electric utility, municipally owned utility, and electric cooperative that is subject to a rolling blackout initiated by an independent organization certified under Section 39.151 to rotate customer curtailment so that no customer is subject to an outage of more than 12 hours.

SECTION 2. (a) The Public Utility Commission of Texas shall conduct a study on:

(1) methods to make the imposition of a rolling blackout equitable across the state; and

(2) measures needed in this state to prevent the necessity of rolling blackouts.

(b) Not later than September 1, 2022, the Public Utility Commission of Texas shall submit to the legislature a report on the results of the study.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.