

PUBLIC COMMENTS

HB 1510

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE AFFAIRS

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Barbara Powell, retired educator

self

Bangs, TX

When the electricity went off in Brownwood, Texas during the winter storm in February, it knocked out the pumps that pump water to Bangs, Tx. where I live. It took 2 days to get that pump back on line. Another 2 days to fix the breaks in the city water lines (which are ancient) and 10 days from the time the electricity went off to the time that we had drinking water.

Sheila Simpson Simpson

Myself

McKinney, TX

It is written into legislation that deregulated the electricity industry..only ERCOT can set pricing between retailers and producers to manage the market the purpose to provide fair pricing across the state. When that happened ERCOT was then to be supervised only by the Texas PUC and the Texas State Legislature..the Texas Senate proposed and voted in agreement to roll back pricing, the State House voted no as it would not support govt interference in the free marketplace...But that is exactly the role they are tasked with legislation that the Legislature created..as an atty Dan Patrick knew this going in..they all know it. Just the public is unaware. So I fully expect the Texas House to provide relief to those citizens.

Van Johnson

Convention of States

Marshall, TX

Get this Bill done.

Jim Gentry, Retired

Self

Temple, TX

Ercot has to go. Tried to force utility companies into passing higher costs down to avg consumers like myself. There's millions of avg Texans, who feel as I do, and who are legal voters

Vicki Doyle

Self teacher

Ranger, TX

My mom, Cliffa Vaughn was 86 was on hospice at her home and died in the freeze on Feb 16. Her oxygen machine was reliant on electricity and there was none. Fortunately, she had natural gas heaters and we could keep her fairly warm. We need to reopen the coal-operated electric facilities in Texas to ensure the integrity of our electrical grid. I'm a physics teacher and an environmental science teacher as well. Texas doesn't need to cave to the "green" activists who have no idea about the additional

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burden broken windmills etc have on the ecosystem. Thanks, Vicki Doyle