

1-1 By: Middleton, Kolthorst S.B. No. 383
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed November 15, 2024; February 3, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce;
1-4 May 5, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 3; May 5, 2025, sent
1-6 to printer.)

1-7	COMMITTEE VOTE				
1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Schwertner	X			
1-10	King	X			
1-11	Blanco	X			
1-12	Campbell	X			
1-13	Creighton	X			
1-14	Johnson		X		
1-15	Kolkhorst	X			
1-16	Menéndez		X		
1-17	Middleton	X			
1-18	Nichols	X			
1-19	Zaffirini		X		

1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 383 By: Middleton

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to the interconnection to the ERCOT power grid of certain
1-24 coastal facilities for the provision of electric service.
1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-26 SECTION 1. Subchapter 2, Chapter 39, Utilities Code, is
1-27 amended by adding Section 39.9155 to read as follows:
1-28 Sec. 39.9155. INTERCONNECTION OF COASTAL WIND POWER
1-29 FACILITY. (a) In this section, "wind power facility" includes:
1-30 (1) a wind turbine generator; and
1-31 (2) a facility or equipment used to support the
1-32 operation of a wind turbine generator, including an electrical
1-33 transmission or communications line, an electric transformer, a
1-34 battery storage facility, an energy storage facility, or
1-35 telecommunications equipment.
1-36 (b) A person or entity may not interconnect to the ERCOT
1-37 power grid:
1-38 (1) a wind power facility located in the area in the
1-39 Gulf of Mexico seaward of the coast that is within three marine
1-40 leagues of the coast, as set under Section 11.0111, Natural
1-41 Resources Code; or
1-42 (2) a transmission or distribution facility that
1-43 directly interconnects to a wind power facility located in the area
1-44 in the Gulf of Mexico seaward of the coast that is within three
1-45 marine leagues of the coast, as set under Section 11.0111, Natural
1-46 Resources Code.
1-47 SECTION 2. Section 39.9155, Utilities Code, as added by
1-48 this Act, applies only to a wind power facility or transmission or
1-49 distribution facility a person or entity seeks to interconnect to
1-50 the ERCOT power grid on or after the effective date of this Act.
1-51 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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