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S.B. No. 1692

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a limitation on wind and solar installed generation capacity in the ERCOT power region.

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

SECTION 1. Section 39.1592(a), Utilities Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) This section applies only to an electric generation facility in the ERCOT power region for which a standard generator interconnection agreement is signed on or after September 1, 2025 [~~January 1, 2027, that has been in operation for at least one year~~], and that is not a self-generator.

SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 39, Utilities Code, is amended by adding Section 39.1596 to read as follows:

Sec. 39.1596. LIMITATION ON WIND AND SOLAR GENERATION CAPACITY. (a) This section applies only to an electric generation facility that:

(1) exclusively relies on an energy source derived from wind or the sun; and

(2) is subject to a standard generator interconnection agreement.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2029, the commission shall determine whether the installed generation capacity from the electric generation facilities described by Subsection (a) is contributing more than 35 percent of the available generation

1 capacity for the ERCOT power region at any time.

2 (c) If the commission determines the installed generation
3 capacity described by Subsection (b) contributes more than 35
4 percent of the available generation capacity for the ERCOT power
5 region at any time, the commission shall by rule establish a program
6 to require disconnection from the power grid of electric generation
7 facilities as provided by this subsection. The program must:

8 (1) require the disconnection from the power grid of
9 only facilities for which a standard generator interconnection
10 agreement was signed before September 1, 2025; and

11 (2) establish a goal of reducing the installed
12 generation capacity from facilities for which a standard generator
13 interconnection agreement was signed before September 1, 2025, so
14 that the installed capacity from all electric generation facilities
15 exclusively relying on an energy source derived from wind or the sun
16 contributes 35 percent or less of the available generation capacity
17 for the ERCOT power region at any time.

18 (d) After completion of the program required under
19 Subsection (c), the commission may allow the installation of new
20 generation capacity from an electric generation facility described
21 by Subsection (a), regardless of the goal described by Subsection
22 (c)(2), if the facility complies with Section [39.1592](#).

23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
25 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
26 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
27 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.