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S.B. No. 1840

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to standards for the Public Utility Commission of Texas to grant or deny certain certificates of convenience and necessity.

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

SECTION 1. Section 37.056, Utilities Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) In evaluating the need for a certificate for a transmission project that serves the ERCOT power region, the commission may not use a reliability standard that is more stringent than the reliability standards used by the National Electric Reliability Council.

SECTION 2. 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, 2015.