

Texas 89th Legislative Session Bill Tracking - House Bills *As of 1/13/25*

Bill Number	Companion Bill	Author(s)	Current Committee	Caption	SPEER Analysis	Last Action
HB 1				General Appropriations Bill		
HB 188	Enabling Legislation is HJR 47	Landgraf		Relating to the allocation of certain constitutional transfers of money to certain funds and accounts, including the Texas severance tax revenue and oil and natural gas (Texas STRONG) defense fund, and to the permissible uses of money deposited to the Texas severance tax revenue and oil and natural gas (Texas STRONG) defense fund.	Creates the Texas severance tax revenue and oil and natural gas (Texas STRONG) defense fund. The fund is to be used to provide grants to pay salaries, benefits costs, cost associated with FTE's, salary increases, additional resources for enforcement of commercial vehicle safety standards and ultimately to address the effects of and needs associated with significant oil and gas production in the state.	11/12/2024 H Filed
HB 205		Cortez		Relating to the eligibility for grants for alternative fueling facilities.	Provides exception for alternative fuel facilities grant eligibility if the facility is owned or operated by a transit authority, located in a population of more than 1 million, located in a nonattainment area or affected county.	11/12/2024 H Filed
HB 265	Enabling Legislation is HJR 35	Craddick		Relating to the allocation of certain constitutional transfers of money to the economic stabilization fund, the state highway fund, and the Grow Texas fund and to the permissible uses of money deposited to the Grow Texas fund.	Creates the Texas Grow fund which provides grant funding for infrastructure needs (roads, schools, healthcare, and other) for areas significantly impacted by oil and gas production.	11/12/2024 H Filed
HB 407		Christina Morales		Relating to municipal and county requirements for solar energy device compatibility for certain residential construction; creating criminal offenses.	Requires by ordinance into municipality building code, construction of new residential building suitable for one to four families must be compatible with solar energy device installation. The device may be interconnected with an electric distribution system, utility, or muni. Also amends residential building code standards for counties accordingly.	11/12/2024 H Filed
HB 431		Cortez		Relating to the regulation by a property owners' association of the installation of solar roof tiles.	Clarifies solar roof tile in definition	11/12/2024 H Filed
HB 485		Cortez		Relating to the authority of an emergency services district to impose a sales tax on gas and electricity sold for residential use.	Allows emergency services district to remove exemption for sales tax on gas and electricity sold for residential use.	11/12/2024 H Filed
HB 553		Patterson		Relating to the permitting of renewable energy generation facilities by the Public Utility Commission of Texas; authorizing fees.	Requires permit for any person to operate a renewable energy generation facility as approved by the PUCT for wind or solar facilities. Outlines requirements for permit application, monitoring and reporting aspects, and removal of facilities. Establishes an annual environmental impact fee on all permit holders.	11/12/2024 H Filed
HB 560		Patterson		Relating to light pollution mitigation for wind turbine generators	Requires light mitigation technology be installed on wind turbine generators.	11/12/2024 H Filed
HB 574		Rosenthal		Relating to the use of adaptive model data analytics software by the independent organization certified to manage the ERCOT power region	Requires ERCOT to use adaptive model data analytics software in forecasting power availability	11/12/2024 H Filed

HB 575		Rosenthal		Relating to preparation for and response to weather emergencies that affect certain natural gas facilities; increasing the amount of civil and administrative penalties.	Adds to rules the inclusion of a process that allows commission to require gas supply chain facility operator to implement measures recommended by commission for weather emergency preparedness. Establishes tiers for violation penalties.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 608		Rosenthal		Relating to electric power purchased for the ERCOT power region	Prohibits ERCOT from purchasing more electricity on a daily basis from a facility than the facilities base generation capacity.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 613	HB 838 by Reynolds, duplicate	Rosenthal		Relating to the interconnection of the ERCOT power grid to grids outside the ERCOT power region.	Allows T&D, IOU, MOU, COOP to construct, own, and operate facilities to access transmission service outside of ERCOT, purchase wholesale power from outside ERCOT. Allows PUCT to request federal approval as necessary for interconnection.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 704		Bell		Relating to the disconnection of service provided to residential customers by certain utilities and propane gas distribution system retailers.	Adds weekend day, holiday, and on a day preceeding a weekend day or holiday to timeframe for prohibition electric service and natural gas disconnections during emergency weather events.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 805		Cortez		Relating to a study by the Public Utility Commission of Texas on the interconnection of electric transmission service facilities with the United Mexican States.	Requires PUCT to study impacts of existing interconnections of electric transmission with Texas and United Mexican States, including impacts on t&d networks, retail customers, and potential impacts of new interconnections. Study to be submitted by Sept. 1, 2026.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 826		Lalani		Relating to monitoring air contaminant emissions in certain counties.	For adjacent counties of counties with population greater than 3.3 million or counties that contain coal-fired electric generating facilities, the commission will install at least one air quality monitor and make available real time data.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 838	HB 613 by Rosenthal, duplicate	Reynolds		Relating to the interconnection of the ERCOT power grid to grids outside the ERCOT power region.	Allows T&D, IOU, MOU, COOP to construct, own, and operate facilities to access transmission service outside of ERCOT, purchase wholesale power from outside ERCOT. Allows PUCT to request federal approval as necessary for interconnection.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 842		Lalani		Relating to a study and report on burying power lines in the Gulf Coast region.	Commissions a study by the PUCT to evaluate the impact of burying overhead power lines, costs associated with maintenance, and cost savings. Report is due Sept 1, 2026.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 859		Reynolds		Relating to the establishment of the Texas Environmental Justice Advisory Council	Establishes the Texas Environmental Justice Advisory Council	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 866		Reynolds		Relating to the creation of the Climate Change Impact Assessment Council.	Establishes the Climate Change Impact Assessment Council	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 871		Reynolds		Relating to the residential and commercial building codes of municipalities.	Adopts 2021 code standard as satewide municipal residential building code	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 882		Reynolds		Relating to building codes applicable in the unincorporated areas of a county; authorizing a fee.	Adopts international building code for unincorporated areas according to what is published in Jan. 2025.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 912		Moody		Relating to the compensation of a distributed renewable generation owner in certain areas outside of ERCOT	Allows PUCT to approve alternative method for compensating distributed renewable generation.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>

HB 929		Harrison		Relating to prohibiting a school district from procuring training, insurance products and risk pool participation, good or supplies from a buy board, and any investment or professional services from certain nonprofit associations or organizations.	Prohibits school districts from contracting with or provide funds for training or instruction, good or supplies, investment or professional services to nonprofits that primarily represent political subdivisions of the state that employ a lobbyist.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 941	SB 75 by Hall, identical	Cain		Relating to the resilience of the electric grid and certain municipalities.	Adds chapter to utilities code for grid resilience. Creates Texas Grid Security Commission to evaluate past power outages in ERCOT, all hazards to the ERCOT grid, including potential future threats, and evaluate resilience of municipalities in essential areas (EMS, Comms, water and sewer, health care, financial, energy systems, transportation). The Texas Grid Security Commission will provide annual report on findings and recommendations.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 969		Garcia Hernandez		Relating to the applicability of the open meetings law and the public information law to the Texas Energy Reliability Council and to independent organizations established to manage power regions.	Adds Texas Energy Reliability Council and ERCOT to definition of governmental body as it relates to open meetings laws.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 1169		Raymond		Relating to the adoption of a comprehensive plan to protect oil and gas infrastructure in this state.	Requires RRC to adopt an oil and gas infrastructure protection plan to protect oil and gas infrastructure from natural disasters, severe weather, cybersecurity threats, acts of terror, widespread power outages, other potential threats.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 1199		Manuel		Relating to emergency generators or other power sources for nursing facilities and assisted living facilities.	requires nursing facilities to have operational emergency generator up to 72 hours of power, fuel agnostic.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 1228		Gates		Relating to municipal and county permitting requirements to conduct certain repairs on residential buildings.	Allows owner of residential property to begin emergency repairs on home without normal permit. Does not prohibit municipality from conducting code inspection.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 1247		Zweiner		Relating to the interruption of utility service by a residential landlord	If a landlord is in violation by interrupting tenants utility service, they may not collect delinquent rent from tenant.	<i>11/12/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 1343		Troxclair		Relating to the issuance by the Public Utility Commission of Texas of a permit for the installation of certain electric energy storage equipment or facilities; authorizing a fee.	Requires a permit issued by the PUCT before installation of electric energy storage equipment or facilities intended for use in selling energy or ancillary services into ERCOT.	<i>11/15/2024 H Filed</i>
HB 1360		Hernandez		Relating to certain regulations adopted by governmental entities for the construction or alteration of residential or commercial buildings.	Adds to the exemption list from certain building regulation prohibitions, SECO adopted energy code, energy and water conservation design standard by SECO, and a high-performance building standard. Allows SECO to amend adopted editions of code. Before amendments are adopted, SECO must conduct analysis measuring the impact of the amendment to adoption on housing attainability, quantify incremental construction costs, and cost-effectiveness, and calculate a payback period.	<i>11/15/2024 H Filed</i>

HB 1378		Virdell		Relating to municipal and county regulation of certain electric energy storage	Would prohibit the installation of energy storage intended to be sold at wholesale or ancillary services if within 500 yards of real property owned by another person unless consent is granted. County is not allowed to regulate energy storage installation if within corporate boundaries of municipality.	11/18/2024 H Filed
HB 1467		Lalani		Relating to emergency preparedness of assisted living facilities and the health and safety of residents of those facilities; providing civil and administrative penalties.	Establishes an assisted living facility health and safety plan database. Requires all assisted living facilities will be equipped with operational emergency generator or comparable energy power source to keep power for at least 72 hours	11/25/2024 H Filed
HB 1483	Enabling Legislation is HJR 102	Gervin-Hawkins		Relating to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the amount of the appraised value of certain residential real property that arises from the installation in the property of certain energy efficiency-related improvements.	For residential properties built before Jan 2011, installing specific energy efficiency measures in home on/after Jan 2026 would be exempt from ad valorem tax.	12/02/2024 H Filed
HB 1584		Hull		Relating to the creation of a list of priority facilities by electric utilities	Requires PUCT to adopt definitions for critical facilities including hospitals, fire depts, police stations, and water facilities. Requires utilities to maintain list and upon declaration of natural disaster or emergency will provide list to emergency management agency	12/11/2024 H Filed
HB 1603		Rosenthal		Relating to the authority of the Public Utility Commission of Texas to ensure the independent organization certified for the ERCOT power region has adequate reserve power to prevent blackout conditions	Requires PUCT to develop process for procuring dispatchable emergency reserve power generation capacity in addition to the procured ancillary services and reliability services.	12/12/2024 H Filed
HB 1606		Metcalf		Relating to notice provided to a retail electric customer of the procedure for requesting vegetation management near a transmission or distribution line.	Develops procedure for customers to request vegetation management near T&D lines. Requires utility to provide bills this procedure periodically to customers with bills sent to customer.	12/12/2024 H Filed
HB 1640		Van Deaver		Relating to a customer guide to home solar energy devices.	Requires commission to develop and update a guide for customers to use when considering installing solar energy devices on home/buildings.	12/16/2024 H Filed
HB 1702		Lozano		Relating to eligibility for the Lone Star Workforce of the Future Fund grant program.	Defines qualifying general academic teach institution.	12/20/2024 H Filed
HB 1710		Landgraf		Relating to certificates of convenience and necessity for the construction, ownership, or operation of facilities for the transmission of electricity	Prohibits PUCT from granting a certificate to build/own/operate a facility that would import/export power from the grid and open ERCOT power region to federal regulations.	12/30/2024 H Filed
HJR 35	Enabling Legislation is HB 265	Craddick		Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of and use of money in the Grow Texas fund and allocating certain general revenues to that fund, the economic stabilization fund, and the state highway fund.	Creates the Texas Grow Fund.	11/12/2024 H Filed

HJR 47	Enabling Legislation is HB 188	Landgraf		Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the Texas severance tax revenue and oil and natural gas (Texas STRONG) defense fund, dedicating the money in that fund to benefit areas of the state significantly affected by oil and gas production, and providing for the transfer of certain general revenues to that fund, the economic stabilization fund, and certain other funds and accounts.	Creates the Texas severance tax revenue and oil and natural gas (Texas STRONG) defense fund.	11/12/2024 H Filed
HJR 102	Enabling Legislation is HB 1483	Gervin-Hawkins		Proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the amount of the market value of residential real property that arises from the installation in the property of certain energy efficiency-related improvements.	Enable exemption for energy efficiency improvements on certain residential properties.	12/02/2024 H Filed

Texas 89th Legislative Session Bill Tracking - Senate Bills *As of 1/13/25*

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SB 1				General Appropriations Bill		
SB 75	HB 941 by Cain, identical	Hall Alvarado Bettencourt Blanco Campbell Cook Creighton Eckhardt Flores Hughes Kolkhorst Menéndez Middleton Paxton Perry West Zaffirini		Relating to the resilience of the electric grid and certain municipalities.	Adds chapter to utilities code for grid resilience. Creates Texas Grid Security Commission to evaluate past power outages in ERCOT, all hazards to the ERCOT grid, including potential future threats, and evaluate resilience of municipalities in essential areas (EMS, Comms, water and sewer, health care, financial, energy systems, transportation). The Texas Grid Security Commission will provide annual report on findings and recommendations.	11/12/2024 H Filed
SB 214		West		Relating to a temporary exemption from sales and use taxes for certain residential heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems and installation services.	Would provide temporary exemption from sales tax taking place between march 1, 2026 - september 1 2027. The system is used for the primary single family residence, has minimum SEER of 14, ENERGYSTAR qualified product, and installed by a licensed contractor.	11/12/2024 H Filed
SB 231		King		Relating to temporary emergency energy facilities.	Adds requirement to mobile generating facilities to be mobile, capable of moving without permit requirement, capable of generating electric energy within three hours of being connected, must have maximum generating capacity of not more than 5MW. Prohibits t&d utility from entering into a lease unless its PUCT approved and includes provisions for alterations.	11/12/2024 H Filed
SB 270		Cook Eckhardt Gutierrez Menéndez Miles		Relating to a study of the costs and benefits of burying distribution power lines in certain metropolitan areas.	Creates a study to determine costs and benefits of burying distribution power lines in austin metro, dallas metro, houston metro, and san antonio metro. Report due December 31, 2026.	11/12/2024 H Filed
SB 383		Middleton		Relating to prohibiting interconnection of an offshore wind power facility.	Prohibits the interconnection of offshore wind power facilities that: negatively impact industries, environmental factors, present risk to life and safety, deemed unnecessary.	11/15/2024 S Filed

SB 388		King		Relating to the legislature's goals for electric generation capacity in this state.	Revises goal for natural gas to "dispatchable generation" . By jan 2027, PUCT must activate dispatchable generation credits trading program if the commission determines dispatchable generation may be less than 55% of all new generating capacity installed in ERCOT after Jan. 2026.	<i>11/19/2024 S Filed</i>
SB 391		Sparks		Relating to a reliability plan for electric transmission service in the Permian Basin.	Requires plan to be updated every 5 years.	<i>11/19/2024 S Filed</i>
SB 419		Middleton		Relating to the determination of the market value of solar energy property for ad valorem tax purposes.	increases the useful life calculation for depreciated values from 10 years to 35 years.	<i>11/21/2024 S Filed</i>
SB 426		Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy"		Relating to a report by the Public Utility Commission of Texas on disconnections of residential retail electric service.	Requires PUCT to publish annual report of total number of residential customers retail electric disconnections for nonpayment.	<i>11/21/2024 S Filed</i>
SB 482		Alvarado Blanco Cook Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy"		Relating to increasing the criminal penalties for the offenses of assault and harassment committed against certain employees or agents of a utility and committed in a disaster area or evacuated area.	Creates a third degree felony offense for assault and harrassment of utility employees in disaster areas.	<i>11/22/2024 S Filed</i>
SB 483		Alvarado Eckhardt Gutierrez Hinojosa, Juan "Chuy"		Relating to the sharing and protection of certain utility proprietary customer information.	Allows for sharing of proprietary customer information between utilities and REPs	<i>11/22/2024 S Filed</i>
SB 504		Kolkhorst		Relating to the disclosure of certain financial information by certain nonprofit organizations that enter into sizeable contracts with political subdivisions.	Requires nonprofits with contracts with a political subdivision with a value of ovee \$500k annually, the nonprofit must provide reporting on operating buget, salary of each employee, and political subdivision must maintain information on public website.	<i>11/25/2024 S Filed</i>
SB 520		Middleton		Relating to a priority system for consideration by state governmental entities of oral or written public comments received from certain persons	Assigns priority for public comment received by state agencies for preference to Texas-based residents and businesses first.	<i>12/02/2024 S Filed</i>
SB 561		Eckhardt Alvarado Cook Gutierrez Miles		Relating to the creation of the Office of Environmental Justice within the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	Establishes an office of environmental justice within TCEQ	<i>12/10/2024 S Filed</i>
SB 705		Zaffirini		Relating to the air conditioning and refrigeration contractors advisory board	Removes the two ex-officio members from the board, and changes the total staggered appointed members from two to three.	<i>01/03/2025 S Filed</i>
SB 714		Sparks		Relating to electricity pricing rules and operating procedures that eliminate or compensate for market distortion caused by certain federal tax credits	Requires PUCT/ERCOT to develop rules to that eliminate or compensate for federal funding distortions to the energy market.	<i>01/06/2025 S Filed</i>
SB 715		Sparks		Relating to the applicability of certain generation reliability requirements.	Requires all electric generatong, aside from batter storage facilities, to be subject to commission reliability requirements.	<i>01/06/2025 S Filed</i>