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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

State law authorizes the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to engage with outside assistance for matters involving the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. This authority is set to expire September 1, 2023. However, there is still a need for the PUC to retain this authority. H.B. 3668 seeks to postpone the expiration to September 1, 2031.

H.B. 3668 amends current law relating to the expiration and extension of certain provisions relating to engaging outside council for Federal Energy Regulatory Commission matters.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 39.408(g), Utilities Code, to provide that Section 39.408 expires September 1, 2031, rather than September 1, 2023.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 39.4525(g), Utilities Code, to provide that Section 39.4525 (Hiring Assistance for Federal Proceedings) expires September 1, 2031, rather than September 1, 2023.

SECTION 3. Amends Section 39.504(g), Utilities Code, to provide that Section 39.504 (Hiring Assistance for Federal Proceedings) expires September 1, 2031, rather than September 1, 2023.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2023.