

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0155

Electric generation-reliability.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Gray, Bear, Jennings and
Zwonitzer and Senator(s) Biteman and Perkins

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public utilities; requiring
2 consideration of reliability factors before approving the
3 closure of an electric generation facility; specifying
4 applicability; requiring rulemaking; and providing for
5 effective dates.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 37-2-134 is created to read:

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11 **37-2-134. Matters to be considered in electric**
12 **generation facility closures.**

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14 (a) As used in this section:

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1 (i) "Dispatchable" means as defined in W.S.
2 37-18-101(a)(ii);

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4 (ii) "Electric generation facility" means a
5 facility located in Wyoming that uses coal or natural gas
6 to generate electricity for provision to customers;

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8 (iii) "Reliable" means as defined in W.S.
9 37-18-101(a)(iv).

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11 (b) Before authorizing or approving the closure of an
12 electric generation facility as proposed in a rate case,
13 integrated resource plan or other submission to the
14 commission, the commission shall consider the effect on
15 available reliable, dispatchable electricity to Wyoming
16 customers and the impact that any shortage of available
17 energy nationwide may have on Wyoming customers.

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19 **Section 2.** Nothing in this act shall be construed to
20 impair or amend any tariff of an electric public utility
21 that exists or is in effect on or before the effective date
22 of this section.

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1 **Section 3.** The public service commission shall
2 promulgate all rules necessary to implement the provisions
3 of this act.

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5 **Section 4.**

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7 (a) Except as provided by subsection (b) of this
8 section, this act is effective July 1, 2021.

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10 (b) Sections 3 and 4 of this act are effective
11 immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a
12 bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of
13 the Wyoming Constitution.

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