

The Public Utility Commission of Texas (commission) proposes the repeal of §26.25 relating to Issuance and Format of Bills. The commission is proposing a new §26.25 relating to Issuance and Format of Bills, to implement the mandates of the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) §§55.012, 17.003(c), and 17.004(a)(8), and the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Truth-in-Billing Guidelines. Due to the extensive changes from the existing rule to the proposed rule, publishing an amendment to the existing rule is not practical. Project Number 22130 has been assigned to the proposed repeal of existing §26.25.

Rick Akin, Chief Policy Analyst, Office of Policy Development, has determined that for each year of the first five-year period this repeal is in effect there will be no fiscal implications for state or local government as a result of enforcing or administering the repeal.

Mr. Akin has determined that for each year of the first five years the repeal is in effect, the public benefit anticipated as a result of the repeal will be elimination of a rule that no longer meets the requirements of PURA. There will be no effect on small businesses or micro businesses as a result of repealing this section. There is no anticipated economic cost to persons as a result of repealing this section.

Mr. Akin has also determined that for each year of the first five years the repeal is in effect there should be no effect on a local economy, and therefore no local employment impact statement is required under the Administrative Procedure Act §2001.022.

Comments on the proposed repeal (16 copies) may be submitted to the Filing Clerk, Public Utility Commission of Texas, 1701 North Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, within 20 days after publication. All comments should refer to Project Number 22130.

This repeal is proposed under the Public Utility Regulatory Act, Texas Utilities Code Annotated §14.002 (Vernon 1998) (PURA), which provides the Public Utility Commission with the authority to make and enforce rules reasonably required in the exercise of its powers and jurisdiction.

Cross Reference to Statutes: Public Utility Regulatory Act §14.002.

**§26.25. Issuance and Format of Bills.**

This agency hereby certifies that the proposal has been reviewed by legal counsel and found to be within the agency's authority to adopt.

**ISSUED IN AUSTIN, TEXAS ON THE 24th DAY OF MARCH 2000 BY THE  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
RHONDA G. DEMPSEY**