

MEASURE: Committee Substitute for Engrossed **SB 1985**
AUTHORS: Representative Weldon Watson and Senators Laughlin and Rice
SUBJECT: Making Costs of Transmission Upgrades for Wind Energy Recoverable

PROVISIONS:

Section 1. Amendatory. Provides that reasonable costs incurred by an electric utility for transmission upgrades needed for the development of wind generation shall be presumed recoverable through a periodic adjustment in rates. Requires that the Southwest Power Pool approve such upgrades and that they be placed into service before December 31, 2013, for recovery to occur.

Further specifies that the Corporation Commission shall determine whether the incurred costs will be recovered and if recovery will occur through periodic rate adjustments following a proper notice and hearing at the request of the utility.

Section 2. Provides effective date.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 1, 2008.

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