



Legislative Report

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PEC Territory Legislative Officials – 86th Session

| Entity | Party | District # | Title | First Name | Last Name |
|-----------|-------|------------|------------------|-------------|------------|
| TX Senate | R | 25 | Senator/Chairman | Donna | Campbell |
| TX Senate | R | 5 | Senator/Chairman | Dr. Charles | Schwertner |
| TX Senate | R | 24 | Senator | Dr. Dawn | Buckingham |
| TX Senate | D | 14 | Senator | Kirk | Watson |
| TX Senate | D | 21 | Senator | Judith | Zaffirini |
| TX Senate | R | 28 | Senator/Chairman | Charles | Perry |
| TX Senate | R | 19 | Senator | Pete | Flores |

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| TX House | D | 45 | Representative | Erin | Zweiner |
| TX House | D | 136 | Representative | John H, | Bucy, III |
| TX House | D | 47 | Representative | Vikki | Goodwin |
| TX House | R | 20 | Representative | Terry | Wilson |
| TX House | R | 73 | Representative | Kyle | Biedermann |
| TX House | R | 53 | Representative | Andrew | Murr |
| TX House | D | 48 | Representative | Donna | Howard |
| TX House | D | 52 | Representative | James | Talarico |
| TX House | R | 54 | Representative | Bob | Buckley |
| TX House | D | 50 | Representative | Celia | Israel |
| TX House | D | 51 | Representative | Eddie | Rodriguez |
| TX House | R | 17 | Representative | John | Cyrier |
| TX House | D | 74 | Representative | Poncho | Nevárez |
| TX House | R | 44 | Chairman | John | Kuempel |
| TX House | R | 122 | Chairman | Lyle | Larson |
| TX House | R | 59 | Representative | J.D. | Sheffield |

(**Bold** = newly elected)



Texas Legislature



- Publication of final report from the Senate Business & Commerce Committee on Interim Charge related to Free Market Electricity released first week in December 2018
- Findings included

“The Committee finds that electric cooperatives are the best means of serving a segment of Texas that private markets may not be interested in serving, with the caveat that this too may change over time as populations shift and industry follows.”
- Recommendations included

“To advance the accountability and transparency of Texas’ largest municipal utilities who operate under the direct control of their city governments, a competitive threshold should be established in PURA for those municipal utilities reaching a service threshold of 200,000 customers or more. These customers should have a mechanism for appeal to the PUC for review of their bundled (fuel cost, transmission and distribution, and retail) rates.”

86th Legislature Regular Session (Key dates)

- **Tuesday, January 8, 2019 (1st day)**

86th Legislature convenes

- Upon the convening of the 86th Legislature: The comptroller of public accounts delivers the *Biennial Revenue Estimate* to the governor and the 86th Legislature

- **Monday, January 14, 2019**

Legislative Budget Board (LBB) budget estimates delivered to the governor and the 86th Legislature

- **Tuesday, January 15, 2019**

LBB general appropriations bill delivered to the governor and the 86th Legislature

86th Legislature Regular Session (Key dates)

➤ Note: Before the State of the State address, the Governor delivers his budget to the 86th Legislature

- **February 19, 2019 Governor's State of the State**

- **Friday, March 8, 2019 (60th day)**

Deadline for the unrestricted filing of bills and joint resolutions other than local bills, emergency appropriations, and emergency matters submitted by the governor

- **Monday, May 27, 2019 (140th day)**

Last day of 86th Legislature (sine die)

- Broadband
- Cybersecurity
- Unmanned Aerial Systems (Drones)
- Easements/Eminent Domain
- Economic Development
- Small Cell Pole Attachments



Key Issues to Watch for PEC in 86th Legislative Session



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