
DIGEST

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Abstract: Allows a governing authority to petition the state land office (office) to create deregulated industrial power zones (power zones).

Proposed law shall be known and may be cited as the "Deregulated Industrial Power Zones Act."

Proposed law defines "deregulated industrial power zone", "governing authority", and "state lands".

Proposed law allows a governing authority to petition the office to designate a tract of land within the parish as a power zone.

Prior to petitioning the office, proposed law requires the governing authority to hold at least 1 public meeting within 15 days of the hearing.

Proposed law requires the governing authority to provide the office with an analysis of the potential impact of the power zone.

Proposed law allows the office to approve or deny the application at its discretion, unless the petition does not meet the requirements of proposed law, in which case the office shall deny the petition.

Present law allows the public service commission to set rates and to prohibit the sale of electricity outside a specified service territory.

Proposed law retains present law but provides an exception to applicability for a customer who satisfies all of the following:

- (1) Consumes all electricity within the power zone.
- (2) Consumes the electricity for commercial or industrial use.
- (3) Is not purchasing the electricity to replace electrical service capacity that existed prior to the establishment of the power zone.

Proposed law does not allow for a utility provider to recover costs.

Proposed law shall not adversely affect the service provided to other retail customers.

The department of administration shall promulgate rules in accordance with the APA to carry out the provisions of proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 45:151-155)