HOUSE BILL No. 2181

By Committee on Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications

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AN ACT concerning the state corporation commission; relating to electric public utilities; regional electric rates; report to the legislature; amending K.S.A. 66-117b and repealing the existing section.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 66-117b is hereby amended to read as follows: 66-117b. (a) The state corporation commission shall report to the legislature in accordance with this section on or before February 1 each year in regard to:

- (1) Any changed rate, joint rate, toll, charge or classification or schedule of charges; or any rule or regulation or practice pertaining to the service or rates of a public utility or common carrier approved by the state corporation commission during the preceding fiscal year. Such report shall contain statistical and narrative information as the state corporation commission deems appropriate. Such report need not include any information regarding any public utility or common carrier that had less than \$10,000,000 annual operating revenues in the preceding calendar year; and
- (2) the average residential, commercial and industrial electric rates of electric public utilities in Kansas in comparison to the average residential, commercial and industrial rates of electric public utilities from at least nine states in the region, including states contiguous to Kansas, to provide information that may assist future legislative and regulatory efforts to develop forward-looking electric policy that leads to regionally competitive electric rates and reliable electric service. Such report shall contain financial, statistical and narrative information outlining the components comprising each electric public utility's average rates and any other information as the commission deems appropriate. Such report need not include any information regarding any municipal electric public utility or cooperative electric public utility that has elected to exempt itself from the jurisdiction, regulation, supervision and control of the commission.
- (b) The report reports to the legislature under this section shall be made by the state corporation commission by either (a) by:
- (1) Publishing such report on the internet and by notifying the legislature that the report is available and providing, as part of such notice,

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the uniform resource locator (URL)-at which where such report is 1 available;; or (b) by

- (2) submitting copies of such report on CD-ROM or other electronically readable media to the legislature.

 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 66-117b is hereby repealed. 3 4
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 6 publication in the statute book. 7