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Bill Analysis

SB 1003 directs the Corporation Commission to promulgate rules ensuring that any electric grid serving ratepayers is affordable and reliable. Such a grid shall not be considered reliable unless the power source is chosen solely on achieving the lowest total monetary cost among available options. The grid shall be considered reliable and affordable if existing power generation resources are not retired prior to the end of their potential useful lives unless such retirement results in a lower total monetary cost. The measure requires such grids to maintain 115% of peak net load, must maintain services in extreme weather, and must not be subject to brownouts. The measure prohibits the Commission from approving a new intermittent generation source unless the source has the support of firming power up to the expected maximum output level of the source for 48 hours during periods of peak load.

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