HB 2596 -- ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

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This bill provides that electric vehicle (EV) charging stations and other forms of transportation electrification are under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission. However, EV charging stations or transportation electrification efforts that are owned or operated by individuals that do not otherwise qualify as electrical corporations shall not be regulated by the commission.

The bill also provides that electrical corporations may file, or the commission may request a filing of, an application for a widespread transportation electrification program. The commission shall evaluate a transportation electrification application using certain considerations that are listed in the bill. Transportation electrification shall be considered part of an electrical corporation's rate base and used to determine electric rates.