

HB 2193 -- RENEWABLE NATURAL GAS PROGRAM

SPONSOR: O'Donnell

This bill requires the Public Service Commission to adopt rules no later than January 1, 2025, allowing gas corporations to voluntarily institute a renewable natural gas program. The rules must be limited to establishing a process for gas corporations to submit filings pursuant to the renewable natural gas program. The bill also repeals the provision giving the Commission general rule-making authority relating to the renewable natural gas program. A filing by a gas corporation must include a timeline for the investment and completion of the proposed renewable natural gas infrastructure. The Commission must issue a decision on any filing by a gas corporation within 90 days of submission. By January 1, 2026, the Division of Energy within the Department of Natural Resources is required to provide a report on the renewable natural gas program to the chairman of the commission, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President Pro Tem of the Senate, and the chairs of certain legislative committees. The provisions of this bill and any rule enacted under this bill expire nine years from the date the Commission promulgates rules to implement the renewable natural gas program.

This bill is the same as SB 829 (2024).