

Legislative Awareness Update

TRAIN Act passes in the House on Sept. 23!

CURRENT CALL TO ACTION:

[Contact Senators Hutchison and Cornyn. Ask them to support legislation to rein in costly EPA regulations](#)

CoServ Electric and energy consumers across Texas need your help telling Congress to keep electric bills affordable. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) emission regulations in the new Cross-State Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR) are unachievable within the unreasonably fast timelines outlined in the proposed rule. As a result of the very short compliance window, some electricity generators will be unable to meet the more stringent demands in time and will be forced to shut down, creating the potential for generation shortage, higher energy prices, and job loss. We urge you to [contact Senators Hutchison and Cornyn](#) and ask them to support the “Transparency in Regulatory Analysis of Impacts on the Nation Act” (TRAIN Act).

The TRAIN Act would require a cumulative impact analysis of major EPA power plant regulations. It would delay implementation of the Cross-State Rule and proposed utility Maximum Achievable Control Technology rule for hazardous air pollutants until an impact study is completed.

The [Take Action Network](#) was designed by the NRECA as a tool for electric co-op members to send a quick message to their House representative. Please take a few moments to make your voice heard in Washington, D.C. using this convenient online tool.

If you want to learn more about potential impacts of the Cross State Rule, read an [article in the Dallas Morning News](#) written by Mark Armentrout, who served as the ERCOT board chair from 2005 to 2008. Armentrout is currently president of the [Texas Institute](#), an independent, non-profit research institute committed to delivering sustainable technology innovation.

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