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CHAPTER 291 UTILITY REGULATIONS

Rule Project No. 2023-125-290-OW
SB 3 and Staff-Initiated Revisions and Efficiencies
Amendments to: §§291.160, 291.161, and 291.162
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Rule Project No. 2020-011-291-OW
HB 3542 and SB 700: Regulation of Utilities
Amendments to: §291.14 and §291.142
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Rule Project No. 2019-044-291-OW
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Rule Project No. 2013-057-291-OW
HB 1600 and SB 567: PUC Transfer (83rd Leg.), HB 294 and SB 1842 (85th Leg.),
and Staff Initiated Regulatory Assessment Fee Revisions
Amendments to: §§291.1, 291.3, 291.14, 291.76, 291.92, 291.103, 291.110,
291.114, 291.128, 291.131, 291.142, and 291.143
Repeal of: §§291.2, 291.4 – 291.6, 291.8, 291.9, 291.11, 291.12, 291.21 –
291.32, 291.34, 291.35, 291.41 – 291.45, 291.71 – 291.75, 291.80 – 291.91,
291.101, 291.102, 291.104 – 291.107, 291.109, 291.111 – 291.113, 291.115 –
291.125, 291.127, 291.129, 291.130, 291.132 – 291.138, 291.141, 291.146,

291.147, and 291.150 – 291.153
News: §291.129 and §291.130
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Rule Project No. 2013-054-293-OW
HB 738, HB 1050, HB 1461, HB 2704, and SB 902: Utilities and Districts
Amendment to: §291.87
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Rule Project No. 2013-047-290-OW
HB 1814, §2 (2011) HB 252, HB 1973, and SB 1086, §1 and §2 (2013): Water Shortage Reporting and Fire Flow
New: §291.200
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Rule Project No. 2011-055-293-OW
HB 679, HB 1901, SB 18, SB 512, SB 573, SB 914 and SB 1234: Utilities and Districts
Amendments to: §§291.22, 291.102, 291.105, and 291.113
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Rule Project No. 2011-056-290-OW
HB 805 (EPP) and Federal Ground Water Rule, Total Organic Carbon Rule, and EPA Method 334.0
Amendments to: §291.161 and §291.162
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Rule Project No. 2011-039-293-OW
HB 2694 (4.23, 5.01, 6.04 and Art. 9), HB 3002, SB 1361: Aquaculture Definition, Water Fee Repealer, Water District Financial Reporting, and Water Rate Notice
Repeal of: §291.7

Amendment to: §291.22
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Rule Project No. 2010-030-291-OW
Disconnection of Submetered or Allocated Service
Repeal of: §291.126
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Date Published in the *Texas Register*: December 31, 2010
Date Effective: January 6, 2011

Rule Project No. 2009-042-291-OW
SB 2306: Rates and Depreciation
Amendments to: §291.31 and §291.34
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Date Filed with the Secretary of State: August 13, 2010
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Rule Project No. 2009-039-291-OW
HB 1295 and SB 2126: CCN Notice and Submetering
Amendments to: §291.106 and §291.124
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Rule Project No. 2009-038-290-OW
HB 2667: Plumbing Fixtures
Amendment to: §291.127
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Rule Project No. 2009-032-290-PR
SB 361: Emergency Operations
New: §§291.160 - 291.162
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Rule Project No. 2008-014-291-PR
HB 149: Temporary Rates
Amendments to: §291.3 and §291.144
New: §291.147
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Rule Project No. 2007-048-291-PR
HB 3475 and SB 3: Border Counties' Water and Sewer Systems, CCNs and Rates
Amendments to: §§291.3, 291.21, 291.41, 291.87, 291.88, 291.101, 291.105, and 291.113
Date Adopted: June 18, 2008
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Rule Project No. 2005-061-291-PR
HB 1358, HB 2301, and SB 1063: Rates
Amendments to: §§291.8, 291.15, 291.21, 291.22, 291.24, 291.26, 291.28, 291.29, 291.31, 291.34, and 291.81
New: §291.35
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Rule Project No. 2005-059-291-PR
HB 841: Water Supply and Sewer Service Corps
New: §291.146
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Rule Project No. 2005-036-291-PR
SB 425 and HB 2876: Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) Rule Revision
Amendments to: §§291.3, 291.5, 291.7, 291.101, 291.102, 291.104 - 291.106, 291.109, 291.113, 291.115, 291.117, and 291.119
New: §291.120
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Rule Project No. 2004-016-291-WT

HBs 1152, 2388, and 3034: Water Conservation Measures; Certain Late Fees and Rates

Amendments to: §§291.8, 291.15, 291.21, 291.22, 291.24, 291.26, 291.28, 291.29, 291.31, 291.34, 291.41, 291.81, 291.87, 291.121, 291.122, 291.124, 291.125, and 291.127

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Rule Log No. 2002-010-291-WT

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SB 2, Art. 2, 9, & 10; SB 352; SB 1444; HB 924; HB 2404; HB 2912, Section 3.10 & 20.01: Combined Rulemaking for Water Utilities

Amendments to: §§291.8, 291.21, 291.22, 291.28, 291.29, 291.31, 291.81, 291.82, 291.85, 291.87, 291.88, 291.113, 291.122, and 291.127

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Rule Log No. 2001-052-291-WT

SB 649: Financial Assistance for Water and Sewer Services

New: §291.145

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Rule Log No. 1999-043-291-WT

SBs 1 & 1421: Water Utility Standards Water Rates

Amendments to: §§291.3, 291.21, 291.26, 291.32, 291.74, 291.81, 291.83, 291.85 - 291.89, 291.93, 291.102, 291.106, 291.112, 291.128, 291.131, 291.132, and 291.134

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Rule Log No. 1999-042-291-WT
SB 950: Utility Submetering
Repeal of: §§291.121 - 291.127
New: §§291.121 - 291.127
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Rule Log No. 97148-291-WT
SBs 1 & 623, HB 1406: Water Rates
Amendments to: §§291.1, 291.3, 291.21, 291.25, 291.29, 291.31, 291.32, 291.34, 291.41, 291.76, 291.87, 291.93, 291.101 - 291.103, 291.106, 291.107, 291.109, 291.111, 291.113, 291.114, and 291.138
Repeal of: §291.15 and §291.16
New: §§291.15, 291.34, 291.140, 291.144, and 291.150 - 291.153
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Rule Log No. 97142-035-AD
Emergency and Temporary Orders
Repeal of: §291.10 and §291.13
Amendments to: §§291.14, 291.22, 291.142, and 291.143
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Rule Log No. 96174-050-AD
Permit Endorsements
Repeal of: §291.108
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Rule Log No. 96145-012-AD
Late Payment Penalty & Interest Provisions
Amendment to: §291.76
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Rule Log No. 95208-291-WT

Temporary Water Rate

Amendments to: §§291.3, 291.21, 291.28, 291.76, 291.81, 291.112, 291.131, 291.132, 291.134, and 291.137

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Water Rates

Amendments to: §§291.3, 291.5 - 291.8, 291.13 - 291.15, 291.21 - 291.23, 291.26, 291.29 - 291.31, 291.41, 291.71, 291.72, 291.75, 291.76, 291.81 - 291.84, 291.91 - 291.95, 291.103 - 291.104, 291.121 - 291.123, 291.125, and 291.127

Repeal of: §§291.73, 291.85 - 291.89, 291.101, 291.102, and 291.105 - 291.118

New: §§291.73, 291.80, 291.85 - 291.90, 291.101, 291.102, 291.105 - 291.119, and 291.141 - 291.143

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Repeal of: §§291.131 - 291.136

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