

Hico Electricity Charges: Total bill: \$14311.05

On this bill from 11/30 to 12/28 (7 days no school, so this is taking one of our "low bills"),

If **each meter's** TDSP charge was capped at 5 cents/kwh, savings would be **959.84**.

This bill's TDSP charges averaged at 6 cents: \$5673.54 for 95296/kwh.

If bill was changed from 6 cents to 5 cents/kwh TDSP charges, savings would be **908.74**

If bill was changed from 6 cents to 4 cents/kwh TDSP charges, savings would be **1861.70**

**If HB 538 or an equivalent piece of legislation could state that the TDSP charges would not exceed 1/2 of "per kwh" Usage charges, and include a cap of 5 Cents, then our TDSP charges would be 4.5 cents/kwh because our current locked-in usage rate is 9 cents.**

**That would be a savings of 1385.22 on December's bill, and easily a savings of over 15,000/year.**

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Schools are challenged to decrease energy costs, but the fact is, that on some meters, minimal usage results in high TDSP Charges, thereby not allowing us to reduce costs.

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Suggestions	Statute	Position
1 Move non-renewal notice /termination notice from mid-march/April to 10 days after last day of school	TEC 21.206	Support (first of May or end of school)
2 Repeal TEC 21.402(d) - this provision refers to a teacher getting at least the same salary as last year	TEC 21.402(d)	Support
3 Amend 22:1 class-size mandate to a district/campus average with a hard cap at 25	TEC 25.112, 42.005(c)	Support (campus rating of acceptable or higher)
4 Allow bilingual ed allotment to be spent on teacher salaries		Support
5 Allow flexibility of comp ed allotment to be spent on teacher salaries and other academic programs		Support (campus rating of acceptable or higher)
6 Allow districts to get the utility discount (20%) same as colleges		Support
7 Flexibility in certification requirements - HOUSE options	TEC 21.003	Support
8 Eliminate DAEP requirement to be certified in all subject areas		Support