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The 89th Texas Legislature enacted [Senate Bill 1252](#), relating to **residential energy backup systems**, effective September 1, 2025. "Residential energy backup system" means a backup energy system installed at a residential property that is capable of providing no more than 50 kilowatts of electricity to the residence or has a storage capacity of no more than 100 kilowatt hours.

Under this new law, a **municipality** may not adopt or enforce an amendment to the National Electrical Code, or adopt or enforce an ordinance, rule, or other measure, that would regulate the installation or inspection of a residential energy backup system.

A **municipally owned utility**, as defined by Section [11.003](#), Utilities Code, may regulate the installation or inspection of a residential energy backup system within the utility's service area.

All non-exempt electrical work in Texas, including that related to residential energy backup systems, must be done in accordance with Ch. 1305, Texas Occupations Code, and the National Electrical Code, and be performed by licensed Texas electrical contractors with licensed electricians.

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