

1-1 By: Holland, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Schwertner) H.B. No. 1620  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 3, 2023;  
 1-3 May 5, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Business  
 1-4 & Commerce; May 23, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote:  
 1-5 Yeas 10, Nays 0; May 23, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7	X			
1-8	X			
1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11			X	
1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14	X			
1-15	X			
1-16	X			
1-17	X			
1-18	X			

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the review date for certain governmental entities  
 1-22 subject to the sunset review process.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 691.003, Health and Safety Code, is  
 1-25 amended to read as follows:

1-26 Sec. 691.003. SUNSET PROVISION. The Anatomical Board of  
 1-27 the State of Texas is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas  
 1-28 Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that  
 1-29 chapter, the board is abolished September 1, 2025 [~~2023~~].

1-30 SECTION 2. Section 481.003, Government Code, is amended to  
 1-31 read as follows:

1-32 Sec. 481.003. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Economic  
 1-33 Development and Tourism Office is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas  
 1-34 Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that  
 1-35 chapter, the office is abolished and this chapter expires September  
 1-36 1, 2025 [~~2023~~].

1-37 SECTION 3. Section 5.014, Water Code, is amended to read as  
 1-38 follows:

1-39 Sec. 5.014. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Commission on  
 1-40 Environmental Quality is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code  
 1-41 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by  
 1-42 that chapter, the commission is abolished and this chapter expires  
 1-43 September 1, 2025 [~~2023~~].

1-44 SECTION 4. Section 202.010, Human Resources Code, is  
 1-45 amended to read as follows:

1-46 Sec. 202.010. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Juvenile Justice  
 1-47 Board and the Texas Juvenile Justice Department are subject to  
 1-48 Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued  
 1-49 in existence as provided by that chapter, the board and the  
 1-50 department are abolished September 1, 2025 [~~2023~~].

1-51 SECTION 5. Section 1701.002, Occupations Code, is amended  
 1-52 to read as follows:

1-53 Sec. 1701.002. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Texas  
 1-54 Commission on Law Enforcement is subject to Chapter 325, Government  
 1-55 Code (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided  
 1-56 by that chapter, the commission is abolished and this chapter  
 1-57 expires September 1, 2025 [~~2023~~].

1-58 SECTION 6. Section 12.005, Utilities Code, is amended to  
 1-59 read as follows:

1-60 Sec. 12.005. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Public Utility  
 1-61 Commission of Texas is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code

2-1 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by  
2-2 that chapter or by Chapter 39, the commission is abolished and this  
2-3 title expires September 1, 2025 [~~2023~~].

2-4 SECTION 7. Section 13.002, Utilities Code, is amended to  
2-5 read as follows:

2-6 Sec. 13.002. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. The Office of  
2-7 Public Utility Counsel is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code  
2-8 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by  
2-9 that chapter, the office is abolished and this chapter expires  
2-10 September 1, 2025 [~~2023~~].

2-11 SECTION 8. Section 1-a(a), Chapter 276, Acts of the 45th  
2-12 Legislature, Regular Session, 1937, is amended to read as follows:

2-13 (a) The District is subject to review under Chapter 325,  
2-14 Government Code (Texas Sunset Act), but may not be abolished under  
2-15 that chapter. The review shall be conducted under Section 325.025,  
2-16 Government Code, as if the District were a state agency scheduled to  
2-17 be abolished September 1, 2025 [~~2023~~], and every 12th year after  
2-18 that year.

2-19 SECTION 9. Section 201.025, Agriculture Code, is amended to  
2-20 read as follows:

2-21 Sec. 201.025. SUNSET PROVISION. The State Soil and Water  
2-22 Conservation Board is subject to Chapter 325, Government Code  
2-23 (Texas Sunset Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by  
2-24 that chapter, the state board is abolished and this chapter expires  
2-25 September 1, 2025 [~~2023~~].

2-26 SECTION 10. Section 751.003, Government Code, is amended to  
2-27 read as follows:

2-28 Sec. 751.003. SUNSET PROVISION. The Office of  
2-29 State-Federal Relations is subject to Chapter 325 (Texas Sunset  
2-30 Act). Unless continued in existence as provided by that chapter,  
2-31 the office is abolished and this chapter expires September 1, 2025  
2-32 [~~2023~~].

2-33 SECTION 11. Section 6.013, Water Code, is amended to read as  
2-34 follows:

2-35 Sec. 6.013. SUNSET PROVISION. The Texas Water Development  
2-36 Board is subject to review under Chapter 325, Government Code  
2-37 (Texas Sunset Act), but is not abolished under that chapter. The  
2-38 board shall be reviewed during the period in which state agencies  
2-39 abolished in 2025 [~~2023 and every 12th year after 2023 are~~  
2-40 ~~reviewed~~].

2-41 SECTION 12. If a conflict exists between this Act and  
2-42 another Act of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, that  
2-43 extends the sunset date of a governmental entity, the provisions of  
2-44 the other Act control without regard to the relative dates of  
2-45 enactment.

2-46 SECTION 13. This Act takes effect immediately if it  
2-47 receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each  
2-48 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution.  
2-49 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate  
2-50 effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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