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H.B. No. 1889

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a study of seawater desalination processes used in
3 Israel and the feasibility of using similar processes in Texas.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. DEFINITION. In this Act, "center" means the
6 Texas State University Meadows Center for Water and the
7 Environment.

8 SECTION 2. STUDY. (a) The center shall conduct a study of
9 seawater desalination processes used in Israel.

10 (b) In conducting the study, the center shall:

11 (1) identify the similarities and differences between
12 the desalination processes used in Israel and the desalination
13 processes used in this state;

14 (2) determine the feasibility and practicability of
15 using the processes used in Israel for the desalination of water
16 from the Gulf of Mexico; and

17 (3) provide any necessary information and
18 recommendations for the use in this state of the desalination
19 processes used in Israel.

20 SECTION 3. REPORT. Not later than January 1, 2025, the
21 center shall report the results of the study conducted under this
22 Act to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the
23 house of representatives, and the standing committees of the senate
24 and the house of representatives that have jurisdiction over

1 natural resources.

2 SECTION 4. EXPIRATION. This Act expires February 1, 2025.

3 SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September
4 1, 2023.