By: Zaffirini (King of Uvalde)

S.B. No. 893

Substitute the following for S.B. No. 893:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the correction of a certificate of public convenience

- and necessity for providing water or sewer service.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 13.244, Water Code, is amended by adding
- 6 Subsections (e) and (f) to read as follows:
- 7 (e) The executive director of the utility commission, at the
- 8 discretion of the executive director of the utility commission or
- 9 on the request of the certificate holder, may make a correction to a
- 10 certificate of public convenience and necessity, without observing
- 11 formal amendment procedures, by reissuing the certificate or
- 12 issuing an endorsement to the certificate. The executive director
- 13 of the utility commission shall notify the certificate holder that
- 14 the correction has been made and ensure that the reissued
- 15 certificate or endorsement is recorded in the commission's records.
- 16 The executive director of the utility commission may make a
- 17 correction under this subsection only:
- 18 <u>(1) to correct a clerical or typographical error;</u>
- 19 (2) to change the name of an incorporated certificate
- 20 <u>holder on a certificate if:</u>
- 21 (A) an amendment to the certificate holder's
- 22 <u>articles of incorporation or certificate of formation, as</u>
- 23 applicable, is filed with the secretary of state that only changes
- 24 the name of the certificate holder; and

- 1 (B) the certificate holder provides verification
- 2 from the secretary of state to the utility commission that the
- 3 amendment only changed the name of the certificate holder;
- 4 (3) to correct a mapping error in a certificate to
- 5 reflect the metes and bounds of the certificated area; or
- 6 (4) to correct another similar nonsubstantive error or
- 7 matter if authorized by the utility commission by rule.
- 8 (f) The executive director of the utility commission may not
- 9 make a correction under Subsection (e)(3) unless the certificate
- 10 holder:
- 11 (1) submits to the executive director of the utility
- 12 commission a written agreement between the certificate holder and
- 13 any other retail water or sewer service provider whose service area
- 14 is directly affected by the correction; and
- 15 (2) provides notice of the correction to any water or
- 16 <u>sewer service customers whose retail service is directly affected</u>
- 17 by the correction.
- SECTION 2. Section 13.246(j), Water Code, is amended to
- 19 read as follows:
- 20 (j) This section does not apply to an application under
- 21 Section 13.258 or a correction under Section 13.244(e).
- 22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 25 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 26 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.