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H.B. No. 3898

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the authority of the Texas Water Development Board to provide financial assistance to certain counties for brackish water desalination.

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

SECTION 1. Section 16.053, Water Code, is amended by adding Subsection (j-1) to read as follows:

(j-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (j), the board may provide financial assistance for brackish water desalination to a county with a population greater than 250,000 located:

(1) on an international border; and
(2) wholly or partly in a management area, as defined by Section 36.001, that does not have a groundwater conservation district that is located inside the county's boundaries.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.