

Amend **CSHB 1** as follows:

Add the following rider to the Water Development Board bill pattern;

Desalination Grants. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.2. Water Planning, the Water Development Board is authorized to use an amount not to exceed \$1.5 million from the Water Assistance Fund No. 480 for competitively awarded grants for desalination research and regional studies.

Make all other necessary adjustments.

Overview

This rider authorizes the use of existing funds for desalination research and regional studies. This research will be used to determine the feasibility and costs/benefits of building a desalination facility on the Gulf Coast of Texas.