Amend HB 2130 (committee printing) by inserting a new appropriately numbered SECTION of the bill to read as follows:

SECTION _____. This section applies only to a project, as defined by Chapter 245, Local Government Code, in progress on the date a water district or authority with regional management and regulatory authority over groundwater withdrawals within all or part of at least five counties adopts any rule requiring a permit or authorization for a project to improve or develop land. A project is considered in progress if a permit or other form of authorization establishing vested rights for the project pursuant to Chapter 245, Local Government Code, was in effect in the area of the authority's jurisdiction as of the rule's adoption date, whether before, on, or after the effective date of this Act. A district or authority may not impose permit requirements on or otherwise regulate a project in progress as described by this section. This section supersedes any other applicable law to the extent of any conflict.