

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1481
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Natural Resources
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The 66th Texas Legislature adopted the Caddo Lake Compact in 1979. Currently, it is codified as Chapter 47, Water Code. The State of Louisiana passed an identical bill in 1979 and the two states entered into the Red River Compact to preserve and protect Caddo Lake. However, the compact was never approved by the United States Congress and as a result never became law. The State of Louisiana repealed its act in 1982. As proposed, S.B. 1481 repeals the Caddo Lake Compact.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

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SECTION 1. Repealer: Chapter 47, Water Code (Caddo Lake Compact).

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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