

1-1 By: Puente (Senate Sponsor - Duncan) H.B. No. 1224
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2005;
1-3 April 12, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Natural Resources; May 13, 2005, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 13, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to a study of the effects of take-or-pay contracts on water
1-9 conservation.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. (a) The executive administrator of the Texas
1-12 Water Development Board shall conduct a study to determine the
1-13 effects, if any, of take-or-pay contracts on efforts to conserve
1-14 water.

1-15 (b) Not later than January 1, 2007, the executive
1-16 administrator shall submit a report to the legislature that
1-17 includes:

1-18 (1) a summary of the findings made during the course of
1-19 the study; and

1-20 (2) recommendations for legislative action based on
1-21 those findings.

1-22 (c) This Act expires September 1, 2007.

1-23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-25 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-26 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-27 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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