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TO: Honorable Kip Averitt, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

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IN RE: HB3776 by Puente (Relating to the authority of the Texas Water Development Board to approve the regional water plan for Region L and include the plan in the state water plan.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill allows the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) to approve the regional water plan for Region L and include it in the state water plan for the five-year period beginning January 5, 2007, if the TWDB strikes existing versions of the Lower Guadalupe Water Supply Project from the Region L plan and replaces it with a new Lower Guadalupe Water Supply Project for Upstream Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) Needs. The bill specifies that this new project be developed by the Region L planning group in association with the GBRA. The TWDB does not anticipate any significant fiscal impact associated with this new provision.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 580 Water Development Board

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