

House Bill 3475
Senate Amendments
Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 412, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 412.017 to read as follows:

Sec. 412.017. WATER SUPPLY AND SEWAGE SYSTEM FOR CERTAIN BORDER COUNTIES. (a)

This section applies only to a county:

- (1) that is located adjacent to an international border;
and
- (2) in which a military installation is located.

(b) The commissioners court of a county to which this section applies may acquire, construct, or operate a water supply system or sewage system to serve:

- (1) unincorporated areas of the county; and
- (2) areas initially included in a municipality on or after September 1, 2007, in which the municipality does not provide water or sewer services.

(c) The county may enter a management or lease agreement with another public or private entity for the operation of a county water or sewage system acquired or constructed under this section.

(d) The county may apply for and receive grants or other assistance from a state or federal governmental entity to implement this section.

(e) The county may own, operate, or maintain a water or sewer utility in the same manner as a municipality under Chapter 402.

(f) A county may not construct, operate, or maintain a water supply system or sewage system in an area previously served by the county's water supply or sewage

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(b) The commissioners court of a county to which this section applies may acquire, construct, or operate a water supply system or a sewage system to serve unincorporated areas of the county.

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SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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(g) This section does not authorize a county to sell water for a purpose other than for local use.

Same as House version.

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