BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, a retail public utility must perform a water loss audit every five years and file that audit with the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB).

As proposed, S.B. 2315 requires a retail public utility receiving financial assistance from TWDB to perform and file with TWDB a water loss audit annually.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

- SECTION 1. Amends Section 16.0121, Water Code, by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (g), as follows:
 - (b) Requires a retail public utility, except as provided by Subsection (g), to perform and file with the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), every five years, a water audit computing the utility's most recent system water loss.
 - (g) Requires a retail public utility to perform and file with TWDB a water loss audit annually if the utility is receiving any financial assistance from the board. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2009.