

By: Turner of Harris

H.B. No. 4218

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to representation in a court proceeding involving a retail
3 public utility providing water or sewer service.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 13.014, Water Code, is amended to read as
6 follows:

7 Sec. 13.014. ATTORNEY [~~GENERAL~~] TO REPRESENT REGULATORY
8 AUTHORITY [~~COMMISSION~~]. The attorney general or municipal
9 attorney, as appropriate, shall represent the regulatory authority
10 [~~commission~~] under this chapter in all matters before the state
11 courts and any court of the United States.

12 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act to Section
13 13.014, Water Code, apply only to a court proceeding that commences
14 on or after the effective date of this Act. A court proceeding that
15 commences before the effective date of this Act is subject to the
16 law in effect on the date the proceeding was commenced, and that law
17 is continued in effect for that purpose.

18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.