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S.B. No. 2329

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to abolition of the Edwards Aquifer Legislative Oversight Committee.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 1.25, Chapter 626, Acts of the 73rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1993, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The authority, in conjunction with the South Central Texas Water Advisory Committee, the Texas Water Development Board, and underground water conservation districts within the authority's boundaries, shall develop a 20-year plan for providing alternative supplies of water to the region, with five-year goals and objectives, to be implemented by the authority and reviewed annually by the appropriate state agencies and the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives with primary jurisdiction over natural resources [~~Edwards Aquifer Legislative Oversight Committee~~]. The authority, advisory committee, Texas Water Development Board, and districts, in developing the plan, shall:

(1) thoroughly investigate all alternative technologies;

(2) investigate mechanisms for providing financial assistance for alternative supplies through the Texas Water Development Board; and

1           (3) perform a cost-benefit analysis and an  
2 environmental analysis.

3           SECTION 2. Section 3.01, Chapter 626, Acts of the 73rd  
4 Legislature, Regular Session, 1993, is repealed.

5           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
9 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.