BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1210 By: Taylor, Larry Natural Resources Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

According to some interested parties, there is a disparity between water and wastewater rates charged to recreational vehicle parks in Texas and rates charged to similar commercial entities within the same communities. Some water and wastewater rates are regulated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and other rates are set by cities or various water utilities or districts. A problem occurs when the recreational vehicle parks are viewed as an entity other than a commercial entity in applying water and wastewater rates.

H.B. 1210 eliminates the disparity in rates by requiring a water district that provides nonsubmetered master metered utility service to a recreational vehicle park to determine the rates for the service on the same basis the district uses to determine the rates for other commercial businesses that serve transient customers and receive such service from the district.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

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H.B. 1210 amends the Water Code to require a water district that provides nonsubmetered master metered utility service to a recreational vehicle park to determine the rates for the service on the same basis the district uses to determine the rates for other commercial businesses that serve transient customers and receive such service from the district.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2011.

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