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H.B. No. 2128

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to single certification in incorporated or annexed areas 3 served by water or sewer utilities.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 13.255, Water Code, is amended by 6 amending subsection (j) to read as follows:

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(j) This section shall apply only in a case where:

8 (1) the retail public utility that is authorized to 9 serve in the certificated area that is annexed or incorporated by 10 the municipality is a <u>public utility</u>, nonprofit water supply or 11 sewer service corporation, a special utility district under Chapter 12 65, Water Code, or a fresh water supply district under Chapter 53, 13 Water Code; or

14 (2) the retail public utility that is authorized to 15 serve in the certificated area that is annexed or incorporated by 16 the municipality is a retail public utility, other than a nonprofit 17 water supply or sewer service corporation, and whose service area 18 is located entirely within the boundaries of a municipality with a 19 population of 1.7 million or more according to the most recent 20 federal census.

21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.