

By: Sheffield of Coryell

H.B. No. 2546

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the jurisdiction and qualifications of the Concho River
watermaster and deputy watermaster.

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

SECTION 1. Section 11.553, Water Code, is amended to read as
follows:

Sec. 11.553. JURISDICTION OF WATERMASTER. The geographical
and jurisdictional boundaries of a watermaster acting under this
subchapter shall be:

(1) the Concho River segment of the Colorado River
Basin that includes the Concho River and all of its tributaries,
downstream on the main stem of the Concho River to a point on the
Concho River prior to reaching, and upstream of the O. H. Ivie
Reservoir located at and including the diversion point of
Certificate of Adjudication No. 14-1393 (River Order No.
4954450000) in Concho County; and

(2) the San Saba River segment of the Colorado River
Basin that includes the San Saba River and all of its tributaries.

SECTION 2. Section 11.554(c), Water Code, is amended to
read as follows:

(c) The watermaster or deputy watermaster may not be:

(1) a water right holder in the river basin or a
segment of the river basin under the program's jurisdiction;

(2) a purchaser of water from a water right holder in

1 the river basin or a segment of the river basin under the program's
2 jurisdiction; or

3 (3) a landowner of any land adjacent to a [~~the~~] river
4 or segment of a [~~the~~] river under the program's jurisdiction.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.