

1-1 By: Burnam, Lucio III, Callegari H.B. No. 3605
 1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Hegar)
 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2013;
 1-4 May 7, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural
 1-5 Resources; May 17, 2013, reported adversely, with favorable
 1-6 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0;
 1-7 May 17, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-11	X			
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1-21 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 3605 By: Hegar

1-22 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-23 AN ACT

1-24 relating to the evaluation by the Texas Water Development Board of
 1-25 applications for financial assistance for certain retail public
 1-26 utilities.

1-27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-28 SECTION 1. Section 16.0121, Water Code, is amended by
 1-29 adding Subsections (g) and (h) to read as follows:

1-30 (g) A retail public utility providing potable water that
 1-31 receives from the board financial assistance shall use a portion of
 1-32 that financial assistance, or any additional financial assistance
 1-33 provided by the board for the purpose described by this subsection,
 1-34 to mitigate the utility's system water loss if, based on a water
 1-35 audit filed by the utility under this section, the water loss meets
 1-36 or exceeds the threshold established by board rule.

1-37 (h) For each category of retail public utility listed in
 1-38 Subsection (c), the board shall adopt rules regarding:

1-39 (1) the amount of system water loss that requires a
 1-40 utility to take action under Subsection (g); and

1-41 (2) the use of financial assistance from the board as
 1-42 required by Subsection (g) to mitigate system water loss.

1-43 SECTION 2. Section 17.1245, Water Code, as added by this
 1-44 Act, applies only to an application for financial assistance
 1-45 submitted on or after the effective date of this Act. An
 1-46 application for financial assistance submitted before the
 1-47 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the
 1-48 date the application was submitted, and the former law is continued
 1-49 in effect for that purpose.

1-50 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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