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H.B. No. 3608

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the evaluation by Texas Water Development Board of
3 applications for financial assistance for certain retail public
4 utilities.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 17, Water Code, is amended
7 by adding Section 17.1245 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 17.1245. EVALUATION. (a) In passing on an application
9 for financial assistance from a retail public utility that provides
10 potable water service to 3,300 or more connections, the board
11 shall:

12 (1) evaluate for compliance with the board's best
13 management practices the utility's water conservation plan
14 required under Section 13.146; and

15 (2) issue a report to a utility detailing the results
16 of the evaluation conducted under Subdivision (1).

17 (b) Not later than January 1 of each odd-numbered year, the
18 board shall submit to the legislature a written summary of the
19 results of evaluations conducted under Subsection (a)(1).

20 SECTION 2. Section 17.1245, Water Code, as added by this
21 Act, applies only to an application for financial assistance
22 submitted on or after the effective date of this Act. An
23 application for financial assistance submitted before the
24 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the

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1 date the application was submitted, and the former law is continued
2 in effect for that purpose.

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