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H.B. No. 3624

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the sunset review of the Sulphur River Basin Authority.

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

SECTION 1. SULPHUR RIVER BASIN AUTHORITY. Chapter 3, Acts of the 69th Legislature, 1st Called Session, 1985, is amended by adding Section 1A to read as follows:

Sec. 1A. APPLICATION OF SUNSET ACT. (a) The authority is subject to Section 325.025, Government Code. Unless the authority is continued in existence as provided by Chapter 325 of that code, on September 1, 2015:

(1) the authority is abolished;

(2) the assets of the authority are transferred to this state; and

(3) this Act expires.

(b) The abolishment of the authority does not affect any existing rights, or existing priorities in the rights, to water from the source of supply. The abolishment of the authority is not an abandonment or waiver of those rights or priorities and is not an abandonment of the original point of diversion from the source of supply. All those rights existing at the time of the abolishment of the authority are preserved.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas

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1 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for
2 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.