

1-1 By: Estes S.B. No. 281
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 28, 2013; February 5, 2013,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources;
 1-4 February 13, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 10, Nays 0; February 13, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the administration and powers of the Red River
 1-22 Authority of Texas.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Chapter 279, Acts of the 56th Legislature,
 1-25 Regular Session, 1959, is amended by adding Section 7A to read as
 1-26 follows:

1-27 Sec. 7A. The Authority's Board of Directors or a Board
 1-28 committee may hold a meeting by telephone conference call, by
 1-29 videoconference call, or through communications over the Internet,
 1-30 in accordance with procedures provided by Subchapter F, Chapter
 1-31 551, Government Code, if holding the meeting in that way is
 1-32 determined to be necessary or convenient by the Board president or
 1-33 any three Board members.

1-34 SECTION 2. Section 19, Chapter 279, Acts of the 56th
 1-35 Legislature, Regular Session, 1959, is amended to read as follows:

1-36 Sec. 19. Said Authority shall have and may exercise such
 1-37 functions, powers, authority, rights and duties as may permit the
 1-38 accomplishment of the purposes for which it is created, including
 1-39 investigating and planning, acquiring, constructing, maintaining
 1-40 and operating of all necessary properties, lands, rights,
 1-41 tenements, easements, improvements, reservoirs, dams, canals,
 1-42 laterals, plants, works and facilities which it may deem necessary
 1-43 or proper for the accomplishment of said purposes, including the
 1-44 acquisition within and/or without said Authority of lands,
 1-45 rights-of-way, groundwater and surface water rights and all other
 1-46 properties, tenements, easements and all other rights incident,
 1-47 helpful to, or in aid of carrying out the purposes of said Authority
 1-48 as herein defined; provided, however, that said Authority shall not
 1-49 engage in the generation or distribution of electric power except
 1-50 as provided by Section 14b of this Act. The right of eminent domain
 1-51 shall not be exercised or extend beyond the boundaries of this
 1-52 District.

1-53 SECTION 3. Section 25, Chapter 279, Acts of the 56th
 1-54 Legislature, Regular Session, 1959, is repealed.

1-55 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-56 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-57 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-58 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-59 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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