

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the composition of the drought preparedness council.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 16.055, Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The drought preparedness council is created and shall meet as necessary to carry out the provisions of this section. The council is composed of one representative from each of the following entities, appointed by the administrative head of that entity:

- (1) the Texas Division of Emergency Management;
- (2) the board;
- (3) the commission;
- (4) the Parks and Wildlife Department;
- (5) the Department of Agriculture;
- (6) the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service;
- (7) the State Soil and Water Conservation Board;
- (8) the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs;
- (9) the Texas A&M Forest Service;
- (10) the Texas Department of Transportation;
- (11) the Texas Department of Economic Development;
- (12) the Public Utility Commission of Texas;

1 (13) the independent organization certified under
2 Section 39.151, Utilities Code, for the ERCOT power region; and

3 (14) a representative of groundwater management
4 interests who is appointed by the governor.

5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.