

1-1 By: Hegar S.B. No. 873
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 27, 2013; March 5, 2013, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources;
 1-4 April 10, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8,
 1-5 Nays 2; April 10, 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 authority of a groundwater conservation district to
 1-22 require a permit for the drilling or operation of a water well used
 1-23 to supply water for the performance of a hydraulic fracturing
 1-24 treatment on an oil or gas well.

1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-26 SECTION 1. Section 36.117, Water Code, is amended by adding
 1-27 Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

1-28 (a-1) The district may not provide an exemption to the
 1-29 district's requirement to obtain a permit for a water well used to
 1-30 supply water for:

1-31 (1) the performance of a hydraulic fracturing
 1-32 treatment on an oil or gas well; or

1-33 (2) other activities related to the production of oil
 1-34 or gas from a completed oil or gas well.

1-35 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
 1-36 to a well for which drilling is commenced on or after the effective
 1-37 date of this Act. A well for which drilling is commenced before the
 1-38 effective date of this Act is subject to the law in effect
 1-39 immediately before that date, and that law is continued in effect
 1-40 for that purpose.

1-41 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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