

Amend SB 709 (house committee report) as follows:

(1) On page 1, line 6, between "(e-4)," and "(i-1)", insert "(e-5),".

(2) On page 2, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

(e-5) This subsection applies only to a matter referred under Section 5.557, Water Code. The administrative law judge may not hold a preliminary hearing until after the executive director has issued a response to public comments under Section 5.555, Water Code.