

Amend SB 1101 (house committee printing) as follows:

(1) On page 1, line 5, strike "Section 16.053(e), Water Code, is" and substitute "Sections 16.053(e) and (e-1), Water Code, are".

(2) On page 4, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following:

(e-1) A regional water plan may not include a proposal for the construction of a water project in another regional water planning area unless at least two-thirds of the members of the regional water planning group for that area have consented to the inclusion of the proposal in the plan [~~On request of the Texas Water Advisory Council, a regional planning group shall provide the council a copy of that planning group's regional water plan~~].

(3) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumber the subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 16.053(h)(4), Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

(4) After the regional water plan is initially prepared, the regional water planning group shall submit a copy of the plan to the board. The board shall submit comments on the regional water plan as to whether the plan meets the requirements of Subsections (e) and (e-1) [~~Subsection (e) of this section~~].

SECTION _____. Section 16.053(j), Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

(j) The board may provide financial assistance to political subdivisions under Subchapters E and F of this chapter, Subchapters C, D, E, F, J, O, Q, and R, Chapter 15, and Subchapters D, I, K, and L, Chapter 17, for water supply projects only if:

(1) the board determines that the needs to be addressed by the project will be addressed in a manner that is consistent with the state water plan;

(2) beginning January 5, 2002 [~~, the board~~]:

(A) the board has approved a regional water plan as provided by Subsection (i), and any required updates of the plan, for the region of the state that includes the area benefiting from the proposed project; [~~and~~]

(B) if the proposed project is to be constructed

in a regional water planning area other than the area benefiting from the proposed project, at least two-thirds of the members of the regional water planning group for the area in which the proposed project is to be constructed have consented to the inclusion in that regional water plan of the proposal to construct the project as required by Subsection (e-1); and

(C) the board determines that the needs to be addressed by the project will be addressed in a manner that is consistent with that regional water plan; and

(3) the board finds that the water audit required under Section 16.0121 has been completed and filed.