

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Interested parties note that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality recently changed the name of the Corn Hill Regional Water Authority to the Lone Star Regional Water Authority. H.B. 4187 seeks to amend statute to reflect this name change and address an issue relating to the appointment of authority directors.

H.B. 4187 amends current law relating to renaming the Corn Hill Regional Water Authority as the Lone Star Regional Water Authority and altering the governing body's membership.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends the heading to Chapter 8364, Special District Local Laws Code, to read as follows:

#### CHAPTER 8364. LONE STAR REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

SECTION 2. Amends Section 8364.001(1), Special District Local Laws Code, to redefine "authority" to mean the Lone Star Regional Water Authority, rather than the Corn Hill Regional Water Authority.

SECTION 3. Amends Section 8364.051, Special District Local Laws Code, by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (e), as follows:

(c) Creates an exception under Subsection (e), and makes a nonsubstantive change.

(e) Authorizes the board of directors of the Lone Star Regional Water Authority (board), if at any time the number of member entities is more than five, to adopt a resolution providing that each member entity shall appoint one director. Requires that a resolution adopted under this subsection be approved by an affirmative vote of not less than 75 percent of the directors then serving, with at least one director from each member entity present and voting in favor of the resolution. Requires that the terms of the directors then serving, if the board passes a resolution under this subsection, expire on the first day of September following the date the resolution is adopted, and not later than the first day of October following the date the resolution is adopted, requires each member entity to appoint one director.

SECTION 4. Provides that all requirements of the constitution and the laws of this state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 5. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2015.