

1-1 By: Phillips (Senate Sponsor - Estes) H.B. No. 1919
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2015;
 1-3 May 7, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Agriculture, Water, and Rural Affairs; May 12, 2015, reported
 1-5 favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 12, 2015, sent
 1-6 to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11	X			
1-12	X			
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1-14	X			
1-15	X			

1-16 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-17 AN ACT

1-18 relating to the applicability of certain provisions concerning
 1-19 invasive species.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Section 66.007, Parks and Wildlife Code, is
 1-22 amended by adding Subsection (n) to read as follows:

1-23 (n) A water transfer described by this subsection is not a
 1-24 violation of this section. The department may not require a permit
 1-25 under this section for a water transfer described by this
 1-26 subsection. This subsection applies to a water transfer that meets
 1-27 the following criteria:

1-28 (1) the transfer is through a water supply system,
 1-29 including a related water conveyance, storage, or distribution
 1-30 facility;

1-31 (2) the transfer is undertaken by a utility owned by a
 1-32 political subdivision, including a water district or municipality;
 1-33 and

1-34 (3) the transfer is described by one or more of the
 1-35 following:

1-36 (A) a transfer from a water body in which there is
 1-37 no known exotic harmful or potentially harmful fish or shellfish
 1-38 population;

1-39 (B) a transfer of water into a water body in which
 1-40 there is a known exotic harmful or potentially harmful fish or
 1-41 shellfish population;

1-42 (C) a transfer of water directly to a water
 1-43 treatment facility;

1-44 (D) a transfer of water that has been treated
 1-45 prior to the transfer into a water body; or

1-46 (E) a transfer of water from a reservoir or
 1-47 through a dam to address flood control or to meet water supply
 1-48 requirements or environmental flow purposes.

1-49 SECTION 2. Section 66.0072, Parks and Wildlife Code, is
 1-50 amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

1-51 (g) A water transfer described by this subsection is not a
 1-52 violation of this section. The department may not require a permit
 1-53 under this section for a water transfer described by this
 1-54 subsection. This subsection applies to a water transfer that meets
 1-55 the following criteria:

1-56 (1) the transfer is through a water supply system,
 1-57 including a related water conveyance, storage, or distribution
 1-58 facility;

1-59 (2) the transfer is undertaken by a utility owned by a
 1-60 political subdivision, including a water district or municipality;
 1-61 and

