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H.B. No. 3803

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to defining the occurrence of an interregional conflict between regional water plans.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 16.001, Water Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (13) to read as follows:

(13) "Interregional conflict" means a conflict that occurs when:

(A) more than one adopted regional water plan includes the same source of water supply as an identified and quantified recommended or alternative water management strategy; and

(B) there is insufficient water available to fully implement both water management strategies.

SECTION 2. As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the Texas Water Development Board shall adopt any rules necessary to implement the changes in law made by this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.