

# SENATE AMENDMENTS

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By: Oliveira

H.B. No. 3545

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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2 relating to the establishment of an infrastructure improvement  
3 council by the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority; providing  
4 authority to impose a voluntary assessment.

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

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7 Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, is amended by adding  
8 Subdivision (4-b) to read as follows:

9 (4-b) "Council" means the council established under  
10 Section 1B.01 of this Act.

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13 follows:

14 ARTICLE IB. INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

15 Sec. 1B.01. INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL. (a) The  
16 board shall establish an infrastructure improvement council in  
17 connection with the implementation of infrastructure improvement  
18 projects within the authority's territory.

19 (b) The board shall set, according to a formula determined  
20 by the board, an annual voluntary assessment. Revenue from the  
21 assessment imposed under this subsection shall be deposited to the  
22 credit of an infrastructure improvement fund to be administered by  
23 the council.

24 (c) A member of the conference that pays the voluntary

1 assessment under Subsection (b) shall appoint a representative to  
2 serve as a member of the council.

3 (d) The council may apply for financial assistance under  
4 Subchapters G and H, Chapter 15, Water Code, and may implement  
5 infrastructure improvement projects approved by the council under  
6 this article.

7 (e) The council shall study the viability of each  
8 infrastructure improvement project requested by council members to  
9 determine whether an infrastructure improvement project is  
10 eligible to receive financial assistance from the council.

11 (f) Only members of the council are eligible to receive  
12 financial assistance from the council for infrastructure  
13 improvement projects under this article.

14 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

ADOPTED

MAY 20 2015

*Atalay Daw*  
Secretary of the Senate

By: *Juan Luis, Jr.*

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3545:

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C.S. H.B. No. 3545

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22 credit of an infrastructure improvement fund to be administered by  
23 the council. After the board sets the formula used to determine the  
24 assessment, the assessment may be modified only by the council.

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14 improvement projects under this article.

15           (g) The council shall establish procedures to govern the  
16 council.

17           (h) The council may:

18                   (1) hire employees to implement this section; and

19                   (2) engage in infrastructure improvement projects

20 without board approval.

21           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD  
Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 20, 2015**

**TO:** Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3545** by Oliveira (Relating to the establishment of an infrastructure improvement council by the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority; providing authority to impose a voluntary assessment.), **As Passed 2nd House**

**No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

**Local Government Impact**

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

**Source Agencies:** 580 Water Development Board

**LBB Staff:** UP, SD, KVe, SZ, JJ, PM

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD  
Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 7, 2015**

**TO:** Honorable Eddie Lucio Jr., Chair, Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3545** by Oliveira (Relating to the establishment of an infrastructure improvement council by the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority; providing authority to impose a voluntary assessment.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

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**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 1, 2015**

**TO:** Honorable Eddie Lucio Jr., Chair, Senate Committee on Intergovernmental Relations

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB3545** by Oliveira (Relating to the establishment of an infrastructure improvement council by the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority; providing authority to impose a voluntary assessment.), **As Engrossed**

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**FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 14, 2015**

**TO:** Honorable Jim Keffer, Chair, House Committee on Natural Resources

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** HB3545 by Oliveira (relating to the establishment of an infrastructure improvement council by the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority; providing authority to impose a voluntary assessment.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

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**FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**March 28, 2015**

**TO:** Honorable Jim Keffer, Chair, House Committee on Natural Resources

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3545** by Oliveira (Relating to the establishment of an infrastructure improvement council by the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority.), **As Introduced**

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