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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| S.B. 1268 |
| By: Seliger |
| Natural Resources |
| Committee Report (Unamended) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE** Interested parties note the need to revise the enabling legislation of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District with regard to the district's taxing power. S.B. 1268 seeks to address this need by revising such legislation. |
| **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision. |
| **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY** It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution. |
| **ANALYSIS** S.B. 1268 amends Chapter 498, Acts of the 54th Legislature, Regular Session, 1955, to remove the annual cap on the maintenance and operating taxes of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District set at five cents on the $100 assessed valuation on property in the district subject to taxation. |
| **EFFECTIVE DATE** September 1, 2017. |