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H.B. No. 1318

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to regulation of production of wells for retail public
3 utilities by a groundwater conservation district.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 36.116(c), Water Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (c) In regulating the production of groundwater based on
8 tract size or acreage, a district shall ~~[may]~~ consider the
9 aggregate acreage owned by the retail public utility and the retail
10 public utility's customers inside the district and may subtract
11 permitted wells from that acreage ~~[service needs or service area of~~
12 ~~a retail public utility]~~. For the purposes of this subsection,
13 "retail public utility" has ~~[shall have]~~ the meaning assigned
14 ~~[provided]~~ by Section 13.002.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.