By: Price H.B. No. 1573

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1573:

By: Ashby C.S.H.B. No. 1573

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to personnel requirements for water loss auditors.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 16.0121, Water Code, is amended by
- 5 adding Subsections (i) and (j) to read as follows:
- 6 (i) The board by rule shall require the audits required by
- 7 Subsections (b) and (b-1) to be completed by a person trained to
- 8 conduct water loss auditing.
- 9 (j) The board shall make training on water loss auditing
- 10 available without charge from the board's website. The board may
- 11 provide training in person or by video or a functionally similar and
- 12 widely available medium. Training provided under this subsection
- 13 <u>must include comprehensive knowledge of water utility systems and</u>
- 14 terminology and any tools available for analyzing audit results.
- 15 In creating training materials, the board may consider other
- 16 organizations' training programs.
- 17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.