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TO: Honorable Charles Perry, Chair, Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB864 by Perry (Relating to the procedure for obtaining a right to use state water if the applicant proposes an alternative source of water that is not state water.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to include in both the notice given to affected persons and in an issued permit any proposed alternative source of water, other than state water, identified by an applicant in an application for state water. If such an alternative source is given as groundwater from a well located within a groundwater conservation district, the bill would require TCEQ to mail a copy of the notice to the affected groundwater conservation district.

TCEQ estimates that implementing the provisions of this bill can be accomplished using existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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