BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 942 By: Johnson Natural Resources Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been noted that changes on the federal level have a direct impact on the state water pollution control revolving fund. S.B. 942 seeks to make statutory changes relating to the revolving fund to reflect the federal changes.

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. 942 amends the Water Code to revise provisions relating to the state water pollution control revolving fund by clarifying the purpose of the use of money in the revolving fund as the provision of financial assistance to persons for projects eligible for assistance under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and the provision of linked deposits to eligible lending institutions for loans to persons for nonpoint source pollution control projects. The bill makes related changes, including removing the specification that the term of a loan made by the Texas Water Development Board from the revolving fund is not to exceed 20 years.

S.B. 942 repeals Section 15.603(i), Water Code.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.