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H.B. No. 3099

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3099:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to standards for water management in certain areas.

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

4 SECTION 1. Title 2, Water Code, is amended by adding
5 Subtitle G to read as follows:

6 SUBTITLE G. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

7 CHAPTER 39. STANDARDS FOR SURFACE WATER AND GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT

8 IN CERTAIN AREAS

9 Sec. 39.0101. STANDARDS FOR SURFACE WATER AND GROUNDWATER
10 MANAGEMENT IN CERTAIN AREAS. (a) This section applies to a county:

11 (1) bordering the Rio Grande;

12 (2) overlying the Edwards-Trinity Aquifer; and

13 (3) with a population greater than 40,000.

14 (b) The Texas Water Development Board in coordination with
15 the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and the Parks and
16 Wildlife Department shall adopt standards for water management by a
17 conservation and reclamation district in a county to which this
18 section applies.

19 (c) Standards adopted under this section must address:

20 (1) groundwater management; and

21 (2) river and spring flow, including flow requirements

22 for:

23 (A) the Devils River;

24 (B) the Pecos River; and

1 (C) San Felipe Springs.

2 SECTION 2. The Texas Water Development Board, Texas
3 Commission on Environmental Quality, and Parks and Wildlife
4 Department shall use existing funds to adopt standards as required
5 by Section 39.0101, Water Code, as added by this Act.

6 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.