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H.B. No. 4595

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to a study and report on the optimum water level of Falcon
3 Lake.

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

5 SECTION 1. STUDY AND REPORT. (a) The Parks and Wildlife
6 Department and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
7 jointly shall conduct a study on the optimum water level of Falcon
8 Lake. The study must examine:

9 (1) the optimum water level for recreational fishing;
10 and

11 (2) the factors that contribute to the rise and fall in
12 water levels.

13 (b) Not later than December 1, 2020, the Parks and Wildlife
14 Department and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality shall
15 submit to the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of the
16 house of representatives a report that includes:

17 (1) the findings of the study conducted under this
18 section; and

19 (2) recommendations on maintaining the optimum water
20 level for recreational fishing on Falcon Lake.

21 SECTION 2. EXPIRATION DATE. This Act expires September 1,
22 2021.

23 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect
24 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members

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1 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas
2 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for
3 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.