By: Hughes S.B. No. 979 (In the Senate - Filed February 21, 2019; March 1, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Water & Rural Affairs; April 4, 2019, reported forward forward by the file of the second 1-1 1-2 1-3 April 4, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; April 4, 2019, sent to printer.) 1-4 1-5

| 1-6 | | COMMITTEE VOTE | | | |
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| 1-7 | | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
| 1-8 | Perry | Х | | | |
| 1-9 | Creighton | Х | | | |
| 1-10 | Alvarado | Х | | | |
| 1-11 | Johnson | Х | | | |
| 1-12 | Kolkhorst | Х | | | |
| 1-13 | Rodríguez | Х | | | |
| 1-14 | Taylor | Х | | | |

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1**-**17 1**-**18 relating to including cuttings as a form of propagation for citrus budwood and citrus nursery stock certification programs. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 1-19

1-20 SECTION 1. Sections 19.002(3) and (5), Agriculture Code, 1-21 are amended to read as follows:

(3) "Citrus budwood" means a portion of a stem or branch of a citrus tree containing buds used in propagation <u>from</u> 1-22 1-23 1-24 cuttings or by budding or grafting.

(5) "Citrus nursery" means a producer of citrus trees 1-25 propagated <u>from cuttings or</u> through the budding or grafting of citrus trees using certified citrus budwood. SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 1-26 1-27 1-28

1-29 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 1-30 1-31 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 1-32 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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