By: Creighton, Buckingham

S.B. No. 2126

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to taking sand, gravel, marl, shell, and mudshell from
- 3 Texas rivers.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Chapter 86, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended
- 6 by adding Section 86.01915 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 86.01915. EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN DISTRICTS. (a) This
- 8 section applies only to a conservation and reclamation district
- 9 created or operating under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas
- 10 Constitution.
- 11 (b) A district may take sand, gravel, marl, shell, or
- 12 mudshell from any river or tributary to restore, maintain, or
- 13 expand the capacity of the river and its tributaries to convey storm
- 14 flows.
- 15 (c) A district acting under this section is not required to:
- 16 (1) obtain a permit or pay a fee to take sand, gravel,
- 17 marl, shell, or mudshell under Subsection (b); or
- (2) purchase sand, gravel, marl, shell, or mudshell
- 19 taken under Subsection (b).
- 20 (d) A district acting under this section may deposit sand,
- 21 gravel, marl, shell, or mudshell taken under Subsection (b) on
- 22 private land.
- 23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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