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TO: Honorable Charles Perry, Chair, Senate Committee on Water & Rural Affairs

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Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB720 by Larson (Relating to appropriations of water for recharge of aquifers and use in aquifer storage and recovery projects.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Water Code to expand the sources of water that may be included in a permitted aquifer storage and recovery project with associated water rights under certain circumstances as provided in the bill.

Based on the analysis of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, duties and responsibilities associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be accomplished by utilizing existing resources.

The bill would take effect immediately upon receiving a two-thirds vote in both houses; otherwise, the bill would take effect September 1, 2019.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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