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TO: Honorable Donna Campbell, Chair, Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs & Border Security

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IN RE: **SB881** by Campbell (Relating to withdrawals of water from the Edwards Aquifer to supply a military installation.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill amends the Edwards Aquifer Act by establishing that a utility owned by the City of San Antonio may withdraw groundwater from the Edwards Aquifer without a permit if the groundwater will supply a military installation for human consumption, irrigation, operations, mission support, or infrastructure maintenance. Additions to the EAA Act regarding military installation supply by a municipally owned utility do not supersede biological opinions issued by a federal agency.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2019.

According to the Texas Military Department, Soil and Water Conservation Board, and Water Development Board, no fiscal impact is anticipated.

Local Government Impact

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

Source Agencies: 401 Military Department, 592 Soil and Water Conservation Board, 580
Water Development Board

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