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By:  Stephenson H.B. No. 2148

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to notice of contamination of a public water supply to certain water providers by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter B, Chapter 26, Water Code, is amended by adding Section 26.0395 to read as follows:

Sec. 26.0395.  NOTIFICATION OF CONTAMINATION THREATENING CERTAIN PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS. As soon as possible after the commission detects or becomes aware of contamination of water that is a source for a public water supply and not later than the time the commission notifies the news media of the contamination, the commission shall give notice of the contamination to the owner or operator of each public water supply system that may be affected by the contamination.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2021.