By:  Lozano, Guillen (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 3802

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COMMITTEE VOTE

               Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Perry           X

Springer        X

Creighton       X

Eckhardt        X

Gutierrez                 X

Johnson         X

Kolkhorst       X

Powell          X

Taylor          X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requirements for public drinking water supply systems and certain rates and fees charged by water supply corporations.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 341.0315, Health and Safety Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsections (c-1) and (c-2) to read as follows:

(c)  Each public drinking water supply system shall provide an adequate and safe drinking water supply. The supply must:

(1)  meet the requirements of Section 341.031 and commission rules; and

(2)  provide a quantity of water or capacity of water sufficient to serve the number of connections served by the public drinking water supply system.

(c-1)  In determining the number of connections served by a public drinking water supply system that provides service through meters, the commission by rule shall establish connection equivalency values for each meter size used to serve a recreational vehicle park, as that term is defined by Section 13.087, Water Code.

(c-2)  The connection equivalency values required by Subsection (c-1) must:

(1)  establish a standard-size residential meter as one connection; and

(2)  determine the equivalent number of connections for larger or smaller meters as multiples of a standard-size residential meter, based on accepted industry standards.

SECTION 2.  Section 49.2122(a-1), Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a-1)  Notwithstanding Subsection (a), a district or water supply corporation that provides nonsubmetered master metered utility service, as defined by Section 13.087(a)(1), to a recreational vehicle park, as defined by Section 13.087(a)(3):

(1)  shall determine the rates for that service on the same basis the district or water supply corporation uses to determine the rates for other commercial businesses that serve transient customers and receive nonsubmetered master metered utility service from the district or water supply corporation; and

(2)  may not charge a person who owns or operates a recreational vehicle park that receives nonsubmetered master metered utility service from the district or water supply corporation an administrative fee for the services provided.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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