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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to a study by the Public Utility Commission of Texas and
- 3 the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality regarding a plan to
- 4 protect water treatment facilities from catastrophe.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. (a) The Public Utility Commission of Texas and
- 7 the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality shall conduct a study
- 8 to create a plan to protect water treatment facilities from:
- 9 (1) electrical outages;
- 10 (2) catastrophic weather events;
- 11 (3) terrorist attacks;
- 12 (4) the projected effects of climate change; and
- 13 (5) other potential disruptions to providing water
- 14 service.

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- 15 (b) In conducting the study, the Public Utility Commission
- 16 of Texas and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality shall
- 17 consult with other state agencies or interested persons as needed
- 18 to conduct the study.
- 19 (c) Not later than September 1, 2022, the Public Utility
- 20 Commission of Texas and the Texas Commission on Environmental
- 21 Quality shall submit a report on the results of the study to the
- 22 governor and the legislature.
- 23 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.