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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the production by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality of an annual report on public drinking water supply systems.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 341.0315, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subsections (f) and (g) to read as follows:

(f)  The commission shall produce an annual report on public drinking water supply systems in this state. The commission shall deliver the report to the legislature not later than September 1 of each year. The report must include:

(1)  for the year preceding the production of the report:

(A)  an analysis of noteworthy events that affected public drinking water supply systems and the consequences of those events; and

(B)  a summary of challenges experienced by public drinking water supply systems and any vulnerabilities or system failures that were exposed;

(2)  projected:

(A)  changes in the physical condition of public drinking water supply systems, including expected wear and tear on the systems; and

(B)  effects of population increases on the performance of public drinking water supply systems; and

(3)  recommendations for preventing unplanned downtime for public drinking water supply systems in times of disaster.

(g)  The commission may cooperate with other state agencies, political subdivisions, and public drinking water supply systems as necessary to produce the report required under Subsection (f).

SECTION 2.  The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality shall provide to the legislature the first report required by Section 341.0315(f), Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act, not later than September 1, 2024.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.