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H.B. No. 3225

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the recording of open meetings held by certain water districts.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 49, Water Code, is amended by adding Section 49.0645 to read as follows:

Sec. 49.0645. RECORDING OF MEETINGS. (a) The board shall make an audio recording of reasonable quality of each open meeting held by the board.

(b) A recording made under this section must be:

(1) if the district maintains an Internet website:

(A) made available on the Internet website of the district not later than the fifth day after the date of the meeting; and

(B) maintained on the Internet website of the district until the first anniversary of the meeting date; or

(2) if the district does not maintain an Internet website:

(A) made available to the public at the regular office of the district; and

(B) maintained until the first anniversary of the meeting date.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.