

AN ACT

relating to a study by the Texas Water Development Board of issues faced by communities with artificial drainage systems.

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

SECTION 1. In this Act, "artificial drainage system" means a system to remove floodwater in a community that lacks topographic relief, slope, and naturally defined floodways.

SECTION 2. The Texas Water Development Board, before January 1, 2025, may:

(1) study issues faced by communities with artificial drainage systems; and

(2) prepare a written report that contains possible recommendations relating to addressing identified issues facing those communities.

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

H.B. No. 4742

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4742 was passed by the House on May 6, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 94, Nays 40, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4742 was passed by the Senate on May 19, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 3.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor