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Submitted to the Committee on Land & Resource Management
For SB 369

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Written Testimony on SB 369

Honorable Chairman Burns and Committee Members:

My name is David Billings. I am honored to be the Mayor of Fate, located in Rockwall County, and I am pleased to provide testimony in support of H.B. 4637.

First, thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony on Senate Bill 369.

In the spirit of compromise, we are requesting an additional amendment to SB 369.

1. Sec.A43.1415 Section 5 (B) states - a private septic system and an individual water well. Please add the change this section as follows:
 - a. a private septic system and/or an individual water well.

Further, it is fundamentally wrong for any Texas State House or Senate bill to include provisions removing qualified immunity for local government leaders.

If passed as written, these provisions will ultimately cost local governments and counties precious tax dollars to defend their own elected and appointed local government officials who may be personally sued.

Thank you for your service to the great State of Texas.

If you have any questions, please let me know. My email address is dbillings@fatetx.gov.