

By: Bell of Kaufman

H.B. No. 420

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the meeting places for the board of directors of certain  
3 water districts.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 49, Water Code, is amended  
6 by adding Section 49.0621 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 49.0621. MEETING PLACES FOR BOARD OF CERTAIN  
8 DISTRICTS. (a) This section applies only to a district wholly or  
9 partly located in a county that:

10 (1) contains a portion of the Cedar Creek Reservoir;

11 and

12 (2) borders a county with a population of 2.6 million  
13 or more.

14 (b) Notwithstanding Section 49.062, if the board of a  
15 district to which this section applies conducts meetings at least  
16 quarterly, the board shall conduct a meeting at least once per  
17 quarter at a designated meeting location:

18 (1) inside the district; or

19 (2) within 10 miles of the boundary of the district.

20 (c) Notwithstanding Chapter 551, Government Code, and  
21 except as provided by this subsection, a district to which this  
22 section applies may satisfy the requirements of Subsection (b) of  
23 this section by conducting quarterly meetings by telephone  
24 conference call or video conference call. A meeting to discuss the

1 tax rate of the district must be conducted in person.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.