

1-1 By: Kolkhorst S.B. No. 1302  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 14, 2025; February 28, 2025,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Water, Agriculture and  
1-4 Rural Affairs; March 18, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable  
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0;  
1-6 March 18, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7	COMMITTEE VOTE				
1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Perry	X			
1-10	Hancock			X	
1-11	Birdwell	X			
1-12	Blanco			X	
1-13	Gutierrez			X	
1-14	Hinojosa of Nueces	X			
1-15	Johnson	X			
1-16	Kolkhorst	X			
1-17	Sparks	X			

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1302 By: Kolkhorst

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to eligibility to use a general permit to discharge waste  
1-22 into or adjacent to waters in this state.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 26.040, Water Code, is amended by adding  
1-25 Subsections (h-1) and (h-2) to read as follows:

1-26 (h-1) After the commission denies or suspends a  
1-27 discharger's authority to discharge under a general permit under  
1-28 Subsection (h), the discharger may not discharge under the general  
1-29 permit until the executive director actively authorizes the  
1-30 discharger to use the general permit.

1-31 (h-2) The executive director may not use an automatic  
1-32 process to authorize the use of a general permit under Subsection  
1-33 (h-1).

1-34 SECTION 2. Sections 26.040(h-1) and (h-2), Water Code, as  
1-35 added by this Act, apply only to a denial or suspension ordered on  
1-36 or after the effective date of this Act.

1-37 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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