

Bill	Author	Topic	Permissive or Mandated	Status	Related Bills	Notes
Water Resources						
HB 98	Martinez, Armando (D)	Relating to the requirements for newspaper notice of a public meeting on a permit issued under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System.	Mandated	Filed: 11/14/2016 Read first time: 2/13/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/13/2017; currently in House committee Left pending in House committee: 3/8/2017		Would require the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to publish newspaper notice of a public meeting for a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit in the city in which the facility is located or proposed to be located.
HB 101	Craddick, Tom (R)	Relating to the development of and contracting for reclaimed water facilities in certain municipalities.	Permissive	Filed: 11/14/2016 Read first time: 2/14/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/14/2017; Passed in House Committee: 3/22/2017 Referred to Senate Administration Committee: 4/6/2017	SB 675	
HB 173	Lucio III, Eddie (D)	Relating to the licensing and regulation of certain rainwater harvesting; providing administrative penalties; authorizing fees; requiring an occupational license.	Mandated	Filed: 11/14/2016 Read first time: 2/14/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/14/2017; currently in House committee		
HB 174	Lucio III, Eddie (D)	Relating to the authority of the Texas Water Development Board to provide financial assistance to political subdivisions for water supply projects.	Permissive	Filed: 11/14/2016 Read first time: 2/14/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/14/2017; currently in House committee		
HB 294	Walle, Armando (D)	Relating to the revocation of certain water utilities' certificate of public convenience and necessity for major rules violations.	Permissive	Filed: 11/14/2016 Read first time: 2/13/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/13/2017 reported favorably as substituted by House committee: 4/5/3017		
HB 352	Murr, Andrew (R)	Relating to the procedure by which a state agency may issue an opinion that a watercourse is navigable.	Permissive	Filed: 11/15/2016 Read first time: 2/16/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/16/2017 Left pending in committee: 4/12/2017		
HB 484	Springer, Drew (R)	Relating to training required to qualify for or renew a license issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.	Mandated	Filed: 12/02/2016 Read first time: 2/20/2017 Referred to Environmental Regulation: 2/20/2017 Left pending in committee: 3/14/2017		
HB 544	Anderson, Charles (R)	Relating to the use of the rural water assistance fund.	Permissive	Filed: 12/8/2016 Read first time: 2/20/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/20/2017 Passed in House committee: 4/5/2017 Currently in Senate Agricultural, Water and Rural Affairs committee: 4/12/2017	SB 785	Would allow the Texas Water Development Board to use the Rural Water Assistance Fund to assist rural political subdivisions with water planning.
HB 605	Workman, Paul (R)	Relating to the consideration by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality of the economic impact of an appropriation of state water in determining whether to grant an application for the appropriation.	Mandated	Filed: 12/15/2016 Read first time: 2/22/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/22/2017; currently in House committee		

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HB 614	Leach, Jeff (R)	Relating to the procedure for action by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on an application for a water right.	Permissive	Filed: 12/16/2016 Read first time: 2/22/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/22/2017; currently in House committee		
HB 773	Johnson, Eric (D)	Relating to information on projected changes in weather, water availability, and climate variability in strategic plans of certain state agencies.	Mandated	Filed: 1/02/2017 Read first time: 3/01/2017 Referred to State Affairs: 3/01/2017 Left pending in House committee: 3/22/2107		
HB 815	Burkett, Cindy (R)	Relating to the regulatory analysis of rules proposed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.	Permissive	Filed: 1/04/2017 Read first time: 2/21/2017 Referred to Environmental Regulations: 2/21/2017; currently in House committee Withdrawn from public hearing schedule: 3/14/2017	SB 939	
HB 965	Springer, Drew (R)	Relating to the authority of a retail public water utility to require an operator of a correctional facility to comply with water conservation measures.	Permissive	Filed: 1/12/2017 Read first time: 2/27/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/27/2017 Reported favorably as substituted by House committee: 3/29/2017		Would allow a city owned utility to require a correctional facility that receives water from the city to comply with the water conservation measures adopted or implemented by the city.
HB 1083	Perez, Mary Ann (D)	Relating to authorizing a regulatory authority to establish reduced water utility rates funded by donations for the benefit of elderly customers.	Permissive	Filed: 1/17/2017 Read first time: 2/21/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/21/2017 Passed House committee: 3/29/2017 Placed on general state calendar: 4/20/2017		
HB 1250	Wray, John (R)	Relating to the authority of certain counties to prohibit the land application of certain sewage sludge in the county or in a portion of the county.	Mandated	Filed: 1/24/2017 Read first time: 2/22/2017 Referred to Environmental Regulation: 2/22/2017; currently in House committee		
HB 1536	Farrar, Jessica (D)	Relating to a study and report by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on the use of green stormwater infrastructure in this state.	Mandated	Filed: 2/3/2017 Referred to Natural Resources Committee: 3/9/2017 Left pending in House committee: 4/05/2017		
HB 1648	Price, Four (R)	Relating to the designation of a water conservation coordinator by a retail public water utility to implement a water conservation plan.	Mandated	Filed: 2/8/2017 Referred to Natural Resources Committee: 3/6/2017 Reported favorably as substituted by House committee: 4/12/2017		
HB 1863	Lucio III, Eddie (D)	Relating to the use of money in the state water pollution control revolving fund.	Permissive	Filed: 2/14/2017 Referred to Natural Resources Committee: 3/9/2017 Left pending in House committee: 3/15/2017	SB 866	
HB 2213	Kacal, Kyle (R)	Relating to the requirements for construction contracts for certain water supply projects, treatment works, and flood control measures.	Mandated	Filed: 2/21/2017 Referred to State Affairs Committee: 3/21/2017; currently in House committee		

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HB 2240	Lucio III, Eddie (D)	Relating to a requirement that certain recipients of financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board adopt certain restrictions on water use by their customers.	Mandated	Filed: 2/22/2017 Referred to Natural Resources Committee: 3/20/2017; currently in committee Scheduled public hearing on: 4/19/2017		
HB 2264	Frank, James (R)	Relating to the priority applicable to certain interbasin transfers of water.	Mandated	Filed: 2/22/2017 Referred to Natural Resources Committee: 3/15/2017; currently in House committee Left pending in committee: 3/22/2017		
HB 2369	Nevarez, Poncho (D)	Relating to municipal rates for water and sewer service charged to public school districts.	Permissive	Filed: 2/24/2017 Referred to Natural Resources Committee: 3/30/2017; currently in House committee Left pending in committee: 4/12/2017		
HB 2376	Walle, Armando (D)	Relating to the fee collected for an on-site wastewater treatment permit application.	Mandated	Filed: 2/24/2017 Referred to Natural Resources Committee: 3/16/2017; currently in House committee Left pending in committee: 4/12/2017		
HB 2395	Collier, Nicole (D)	Relating to testing for lead contamination in public school drinking water.	Mandated	Filed: 2/24/2017 Referred to Public Education Committee: 3/20/2017 Left pending in committee: 4/4/2017		
HCR 31	Springer, Drew (R)	Urging Congress to encourage the U.S. Department of Agriculture to revise existing policies that promote the waste of water after an irrigated crop has been declared a failure.	Permissive	Filed: 11/14/2016 Referred to State & Federal Power & Responsibility, Select: 2/15/2017 Reported favorably without amendments: 4/04/2017 Adopted by House of Representatives		
HCR 43	David, Yvonne (D)	Directing the Texas Water Development Board and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to support the creation of a model water recycling project.	Permissive	Filed: 1/04/2017 Referred to Natural Resources: 2/15/2017; currently in House Committee		
SB 189	Uresti, Carlos (D)	Relating to notice of an application for a permit to drill certain injection wells within a certain distance of a groundwater conservation district.	Mandated	Filed: 11/14/2016 Read first time: 1/25/2017 Referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs: 1/25/2017; currently in Senate committee		
SB 225	Taylor, Van (R)	Relating to the referral by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to the State Office of Administrative Hearings of an issue regarding an application for a water right.	Permissive	Filed: 11/16/2016 Read first time: 1/30/2017 Referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs: 1/30/2017 Left pending in Senate committee: 4/3/2017		
SB 226	Taylor, Van (R)	Relating to the procedure for action on certain applications for an amendment to a water right.	Mandated	Filed: 11/16/2016 Read first time: 1/30/2017 Referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs: 1/30/2017 Reported favorably as substituted in Senate Committee: 4/6/2017; out of committee		

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SB 347	Watson, Kirk (D)	Relating to the applicability of open meetings and public information laws to regional water planning groups and their committees.	Mandated	Filed: 12/16/2016 Read first time: 1/30/2017 Referred to Business & Commerce: 1/30/2017 Public hearing/testimony taken in committee: 2/28/2017 Reported favorably as substituted in Senate Committee: 3/20/2017 Passed in Senate: 3/22/2017 Being taken to the House		
SB 538	Hinojosa, Chuy (D)	Relating to state and local planning for and responses to drought.	Mandated	Filed: 1/19/2017 Read first time: 2/8/2017 Referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs: 2/8/2017; currently in Senate committee		Would require a city to notify the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality about changes to the manner of implementing the city's drought contingency plan no later than the fifth business day after implementing the change.
SB 546	Kolkorst, Lois (R)	Relating to the quality of water provided by public drinking water supply systems to state supported living centers.	Mandated	Filed: 1/19/2017 Read first time: 2/8/2017 Referred to Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs: 2/8/2017 Reported favorably as substituted in Senate committee: 3/22/2017 Passed in Senate: 4/3/2017 Being taken to the House		
SB 675	Seliger, Kel (R)	Relating to the development of and contracting for reclaimed water facilities in certain municipalities.	Permissive	Filed: 1/30/2017 Read first time: 2/15/2017 Referred to Agriculture, Water, & Rural Affairs: 2/15/2017 Reported favorably without amendments in Senate committee: 3/29/2017; out of committee	HB 101	
SB 696	Perry, Charles (R)	Relating to a requirement that the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality obtain or develop water availability models for certain river basins.	Mandated	Filed: 1/31/2017 Read first time: 2/15/2017 Referred to Agriculture, Water, & Rural Affairs: 2/15/2017; currently in Senate committee		Includes: Trinity River Basin; Brazos River Basin
SB 785	Hinojosa, Chuy (D)	Relating to the use of the rural water assistance fund.	Permissive	Filed: 2/8/2017 Read first time: 2/22/2017 Referred to Agriculture, Water, & Rural Affairs: 2/22/2017; currently in Senate committee	HB 544	
SB 866	Perry, Charles (R)	Relating to the use of money in the state water pollution control revolving fund.	Mandated	Filed: 2/14/2017 Read first time: 2/27/2017 Referred to Agriculture, Water, & Rural Affairs: 2/27/2017; currently in Senate committee	HB 1863	

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SB 939	Bettencourt, Paul (R)	Relating to the regulatory analysis of rules proposed by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.	Mandated	Filed: 2/16/2017 Read first time: 3/1/2017 Referred to Natural Resources & Economic Development: 3/1/2017; currently in Senate committee	HB 815	
SJR 36	Perry, Charles (R)	Proposing a constitutional amendment prohibiting a tax on the sale or purchase of water at wholesale.	Mandated	Filed: 1/30/2017 Read first time: 2/15/2017 Referred to Agriculture, Water, & Rural Affairs: 2/15/2017 Reported favorably without amendments in Senate committee: 4/6/2017; out of committee		Would amend the Texas Constitution to prohibit a tax on the sale or purchase of water at wholesale.