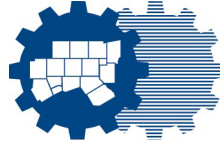


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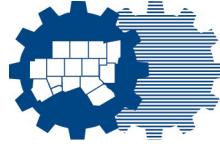
Bill	Author	Title	Status	NCTCOG Notes	Companion Bill
<a href="#">HB 16</a>	Harris et al.	Relating to the oversight and financing of certain water infrastructure matters under the jurisdiction of the Texas Water Development Board.	Left Pending in Committee (04/02/2025)	Permits funding for reservoir, potable reuse, and integrated supply system projects.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 24</a>	Orr et al.	Relating to procedures for changes to a zoning regulation or district boundary.	Received from the House (05/07/2025)	Establishes procedures for promoting residential development.	<a href="#">SB 844</a> Hughes et al. (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 156</a>	Raymond	Relating to a study by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) regarding the protection of certain water facilities from catastrophes.	Referred to Natural Resources (02/27/2025)	Requires TCEQ to conduct a study of potential methods to protect public drinking water supply in the face of disasters and other catastrophes.	N/A



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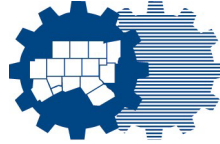
<a href="#">HB 157</a>	Raymond	Relating to the production by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality of an annual report on public drinking water supply systems.	Referred to Natural Resources (02/27/2025)	Requires TCEQ to submit an annual report on the current state of the public drinking water supply, as well as projected changes and recommendations for preventing unplanned downtime during a disaster.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 310</a>	Guillen, Buckley, Ashby, & Spiller	Relating to the use of money transferred from the Texas Water Fund.	Left pending in committee (03/12/2025)	Requires a portion of the Texas Water Fund to be used on municipalities with less than 20,000 residents and municipalities with a population between 20,000 and 150,000.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 359</a>	Goodwin	Relating to the authority of a property owners' association to assess a fine for discolored vegetation or turf during a period of residential watering restriction	Referred to Trade, Workforce, & Economic Development (02/28/2025)	Restricts assessing fines for discolored vegetation during residential watering restrictions.	<a href="#">HB 517</a> Harris Davila (Duplicate) <a href="#">SB 542</a> Schwertner (Identical)



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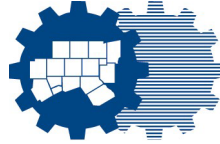
<a href="#">HB 363</a>	Bell & Keith	Relating to the notice and petition for the creation of a municipal utility district (MUD) in certain counties.	Referred to Local Government (04/29/2025)	Requires a pre-petition notice to the commissioner's courts of applicable counties for MUDs built outside municipal boundaries.	<a href="#">SB 102</a> Hall (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 365</a>	González & Mary	Relating to the authority of the Texas Water Development Board provide financial assistance from the economically distressed areas account that is not required to be repaid	Received from the House (4/10/2025)	Raises the amount of financial assistance not requiring repayment from 70% to 90% of the total principal amount.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 422</a>	González & Mary	Relating to limitations on the issuance of bonds by the Texas Water Development Board for the development of certain projects in economically distressed areas.	Received from the House (4/10/2025)	Raises the limit to the amount of bond money that the Texas Water Development Board may issue in a fiscal year.	N/A



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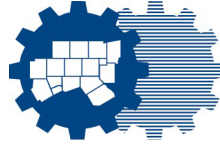
<a href="#">HB 638</a>	Tepper	Relating to a requirement that certain water districts make audio and video recordings of open meetings available on the Internet.	Placed on General State Calendar (05/10/2025)	Requires water districts to record open meetings and make them available online.	<a href="#">SB 1339</a> Hancock (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 685</a>	Bell, Cecil	Relating to rates established by municipalities for water or sewer service for certain entities.	Scheduled for public hearing on (05/12/2025)	Prohibits applying higher rates to properties that qualify for a sales tax or ad valorem tax exemption.	<a href="#">SB 2701</a> Creighton (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 785</a>	Gervin-Hawkins	Relating to the adoption of a healthy and safe school water plan by public schools.	Referred to Public Education (03/05/2025)	Requires school districts to develop a healthy and safe school water plan with provisions for lead testing and exposure.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 950</a>	Hayes	Relating to the provision of municipal services to land annexed by a municipality for full purposes.	Reported favorably as substituted (04/28/2025)	Requires municipalities to provide full municipal services to annexed land.	N/A



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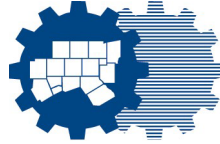
<a href="#">HB 1145</a>	Morales Shaw	Relating to a study regarding the use of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl chemicals in hydraulic fracturing.	Referred to Energy Resources (03/07/2025)	Requires TCEQ to conduct a study on the risk of exposure to perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl chemicals during fracking.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 1177</a>	Cunningham & Wharton	Relating to the creation of the criminal offense of diverting or impounding the flow of surface water in a manner that damages the property of another by the overflow of the water diverted or impounded.	Left pending in committee (03/19/2025)	Makes damaging property by diverting/impounding water onto that property a class C misdemeanor (1 <sup>st</sup> offense).	N/A
<a href="#">HB 1245</a>	Goodwin	Relating to a prohibition on the use of water on nonresidential property to irrigate nonfunctional turf during a drought.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/10/2025)	Requires that drought contingency plans prohibit the watering of nonfunctional turf on nonresidential properties during droughts.	N/A



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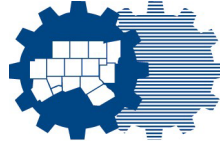
<a href="#">HB 1318</a>	Guillen	Relating to a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide water or sewer service in an area incorporated or annexed by a municipality.	Scheduled for public hearing on (05/12/2025)	Requires the utility commission to determine compensation for property transferred from retail public utilities to municipal/franchise owned utilities due to single certification.	<a href="#">SB 947</a> Flores (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 1322</a>	Hopper et al.	Relating to municipal approval of subdivision plans or plats in certain municipalities.	Left pending in committee (04/03/2025)	Changes the timeframe for plat approval in communities with less than 10,000 residents.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 1344</a>	Troxclair	Relating to prioritization of requests for financial assistance from certain funds administered by the Texas Water Development Board.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/10/2025)	Requires the Texas Water Development Board to prioritize financial assistance for municipalities located less than 50 miles from an area of high growth.	N/A



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<a href="#">HB 1400</a>	Harris & Troxclair	Relating to creation of the groundwater science, research, and innovation fund to be administered by the Texas Water Development Board.	Referred to Water, Agriculture, & Rural Affairs (04/16/2025)	Establishes a fund for projects that further groundwater research, science, and innovation.	<a href="#">SB 718</a> Kolkhorst (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 1424</a>	Goodwin	Relating to the structuring of water rates by retail public utilities to promote water conservation; authorizing a fee.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/11/2025)	Allows municipalities to charge higher service rates for users who consume more water. They would also be allowed to charge an “excessive use” fee.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 1432</a>	Goodwin	Relating to restrictive covenants regulating certain landscaping and water conservation practices.	Referred to Trade, Workforce & Economic Development (03/11/2025)	Prohibits property owners associations from enforcing or enacting provisions that prohibit the use of composting practices, rain harvesting techniques, efficient irrigation systems, or drought-resistant and/or water-	N/A

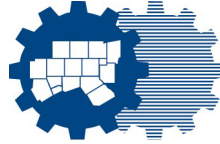


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				conserving natural turf.	
<a href="#">HB 1438</a>	Zwiener	Relating to climate change planning and reporting.	Referred to Environmental Regulation (03/11/2025)	Requires TCEQ to prepare a report on the potential state impacts of climate change.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 1501</a>	Tinderholt	Relating to a study of the feasibility of using seawater desalination processes in Texas.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/12/2025)	Requires Texas State University Meadows Center for Water and the Environment to conduct a study on incentivizing seawater desalination plants along the coast.	N/A

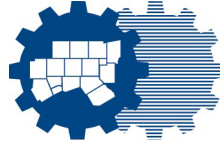




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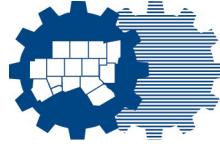
<a href="#">HB 1633</a>	Gerdes	Relating to the criteria considered by groundwater conservation districts before granting or denying a permit or permit amendment.	Left pending in committee (05/05/2025)	Requires districts to consider a new permit or permit amendment's impact on registered and exempt wells in said district.	<a href="#">SB 624</a> Kolkhorst (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 1674</a>	Kerwin, Hooper & Morales Shaw	Relating to the production, sale, and use of certain agricultural products containing perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS); creating a criminal offense.	Scheduled for public hearing on (05/08/2025)	Prohibits the manufacture, sale, distribution, or application of fertilizer with a PFAS concentration exceeding specified levels.	<a href="#">SB 886</a> Sparks (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 1690</a>	Gerdes	Relating to an application for a permit for the transfer of groundwater out of a groundwater conservation district.	Referred to Water, Agriculture, & Rural Affairs (04/28/2025)	Creates notice requirements for the interlocal transfer of groundwater.	N/A



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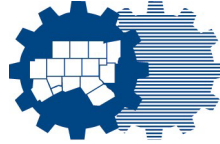
<a href="#">HB 1730</a>	Morales Shaw	Relating to a study regarding the effects of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl chemicals on public health.	Reported favorably as substituted (05/02/2025)	Directs the University of Houston to conduct a study on PFAS' impact on public health.	<a href="#">SB 768</a> Menéndez (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 1808</a>	Landgraf	Relating to the regulation and management of produced water from oil and gas operations.	Referred to Energy Resources (03/14/2025)	Orders the Railroad Commission of Texas to adopt rules for recycling and using water produced during regulated activities.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 1918</a>	Walle	Relating to Class A water and sewer utility rate increases.	Left pending in committee (03/26/2025)	Stipulates that utilities may increase their rates only once every 36 months (up from once every 12) and requires that rate changes to not exceed 20%.	N/A



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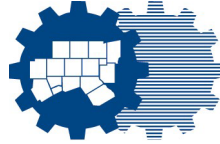
<a href="#">HB 2015</a>	Zwiener	Relating to the consideration of water conservation by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality when determining whether to grant or deny a petition for the creation of a municipal utility district.	Committee report sent to Calendars (05/09/2025)	Requires MUD development petitions to include a plan for water conservation.	<a href="#">SB 2887</a> Cook (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 2080</a>	Gerdas	Relating to the review of the duties of a groundwater conservation district by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.	Committee report sent to Calendars (05/09/2025)	Revises the review process for petitions from groundwater conservation districts.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 2091</a>	Martinez	Relating to the provision of financial assistance by the Texas Water Development Board for certain projects.	Received from the House (05/05/2025)	Allows for the provision of grants by the Texas Water Development Board.	N/A



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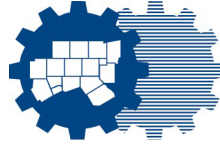
<a href="#">HB 2109</a>	VanDeaver, Hefner, Luther & Dean	Relating to the removal of a proposed reservoir project from the State Water Plan.	Reported favorably as substituted (05/02/2025)	Requires proposed reservoirs that have not begun construction within 50 years of plan inclusion to be removed from the state water plan.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 2114</a>	VanDeaver & Hefner	Relating to the engineering feasibility and construction of a reservoir.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/14/2025)	Prohibits engineering firms who assist in preparing the state water plan, a regional water plan, or a feasibility study of a related project from constructing the reservoir.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 2225</a>	Buckley et al.	Relating to the approval of land use assumptions, capital improvement plans, and impact fees.	Postponed (05/05/2025)	Provides updated parameters on the implementation of impact fees	<a href="#">SB 1883</a>



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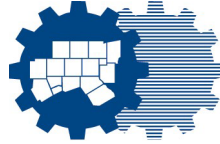
<a href="#">HB 2302</a>	Gerdes	Relating to the definition of a rural political subdivision for purposes of the Texas Water Assistance Program.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/14/2025)	Repeals the definition of a “rural political subdivision” from the Water Code.	<a href="#">SB 971 Sparks</a> (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 2346</a>	Zwiener	Relating to the adoption of a water conservation program by a county.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/14/2025)	Permits county commissioners to create water conservation programs for unincorporated areas of the county.	<a href="#">SB 2897 Cook</a> (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 2422</a>	Goodwin	Relating to seller's disclosures regarding water services for and water rights in residential real property.	Referred to Trade, Workforce & Economic Development (03/17/2025)	Updates Seller’s Disclosures Notice from to include details on the property’s water services, including excessive use fees.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 2494</a>	Craddick et al.	Relating to disannexation of certain areas of a municipality for failure to provide services.	Postponed (05/08/2025)	Provides recourse for disannexation if a municipality fails to provide services related to water and wastewater connections.	<a href="#">SB 1844</a>



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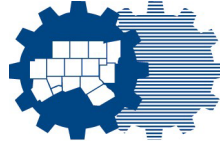
<a href="#">HB 2505</a>	Dorazio	Relating to the notification provided by a municipality to a retail public utility of the municipality's intent to provide water or sewer service in an incorporated or annexed area.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/17/2025)	Permits municipalities to email single certification applications to retail public utilities.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 2506</a>	Dorazio	Relating to rates for water or sewer utility service provided by certain municipally owned utilities.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/17/2025)	Describes stipulations for the implementation of rate increases by municipally-owned utilities for ratepayers outside of the corporate limits.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 2584</a>	Landgraf	Relating to the authority of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to issue permits for the land application of water produced from certain mining and oil and gas extraction operations.	Laid on the table subject to call (04/28/2025)	Permits TCEQ to issue permits for the land applications of water produced during mining, oil, and gas extractions.	<a href="#">SB 1145</a> Birdwell (Identical)



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<a href="#">HB 2605</a>	Gerdes	Relating to water losses reported by certain municipally owned utilities to the Texas Water Development Board; authorizing administrative penalties.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/18/2025)	Requires certain municipally owned utilities to develop water loss mitigation plans if real water loss exceeds established limits.	<a href="#">SB 1190</a> Perry (Identical)  <a href="#">HB 29</a> Gerdes (Duplicate)
<a href="#">HB 2620</a>	VanDeaver	Relating to the inclusion of certain sources of water supply in regional water plans.	Referred to Natural Resources (03/18/2025)	Prohibits including water sources in a regional water plan that are located in another regional water planning area and require the use of eminent domain, with certain exceptions.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 2712</a>	Darby	Relating to test years used for ratemaking purposes by certain water and sewer utilities.	Referred to Water, Agriculture, & Rural Affairs (05/07/2025)	Requires utilities to fix rates based on a test year.	<a href="#">SB 1891</a> Perry (Identical)

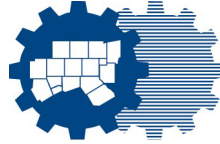


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<a href="#">HB 2805</a>	DeAyala	Relating to civil actions related to groundwater conservation districts.	Left pending in committee (04/09/2025)	Establishes guidelines for recovery resulting from suits brought to groundwater conservation districts.	N/A
<a href="#">HB 2815</a>	Gerdes	Relating to the financing of water supply projects included in the state water plan; authorizing the issuance of obligations.	Left pending in committee (04/09/2025)	Establishes processes for securing obligations for projects.	<a href="#">SB 1261</a> Perry (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 3091</a>	Goodwin	Relating to the regulation by the Railroad Commission of Texas of injection wells used to dispose of oil and gas waste; authorizing a fee.	Referred to Energy Resources (03/20/2025)	Requires oil and gas disposal well permit holders to report daily on injected produced water amounts and the surface injection pressure levels. Establishes injection fees.	N/A

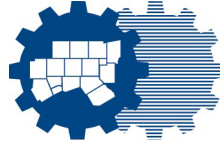




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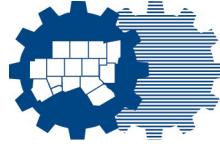
<a href="#">HB 3919</a>	Gates	Relating to size and density requirements for residential lots in certain municipalities; authorizing a fee.	Companion considered in lieu of in committee (04/17/2025)	Prohibits municipalities of a certain size from enforcing specific lot size ordinances.	<a href="#">SB 15</a> Bettencourt et al. (Identical)
<a href="#">HB 4212</a>	Curry	Relating to the establishment, administration, and use of the Texas land, water, and wildlife conservation account.	Committee report sent to Calendars (05/08/2025)	Establishes the Texas Land, Water, and Wildlife Conservation Account to support research and funding related to conservation	N/A
<a href="#">HB 5044</a>	Reynolds	Relating to requiring the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to study and report about water rights that may be subject to cancellation for nonuse.	Referred to Natural Resources (04/03/2025)	Requires TCEQ to submit a report on permits, filings, and certificates of adjudication that may be subject to cancellation. The report is to be submitted every five years.	N/A



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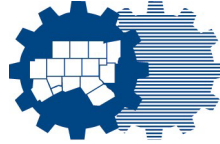
<a href="#">SB 75</a>	Hall et al.	Relating to the resilience of the electric grid and certain municipalities.	Reported favorably as substituted (05/07/2025)	Establishes the Texas Grid Security Commission, which will evaluate municipal resilience for hazard impacts to, specifically, water and sewer services.	<a href="#">HB 941</a> Cain et al. (Identical)
<a href="#">SB 191</a>	Menéndez	Relating to the adoption of a healthy and safe school water plan by public schools.	Referred to Education K-16 (02/03/2025)	Requires school districts to develop a healthy and safe school water plan with provisions for lead testing and exposure.	N/A
<a href="#">SB 480</a>	Perry & Cook	Relating to the authority of a local government to enter into an interlocal contract with certain governmental entities to participate in water research or planning activities.	Reported favorably w/o amendments (04/30/2025)	Allows interlocal agreements between local governments and other local governments, the state, or the federal government for water resources planning.	<a href="#">HB 3383</a> Canales (Identical)



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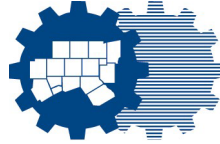
<a href="#">SB 526</a>	Eckhardt	Relating to the use of green stormwater infrastructure in new state buildings.	Referred to Business & Commerce (02/03/2025)	Requires green stormwater infrastructure to be used in the construction of all new state buildings.	N/A
<a href="#">SB 565</a>	Perry	Relating to a compliance agreement for the suspension of an enforcement action against a regional water supply, sewer, wastewater treatment, or solid waste disposal service for certain violations.	Committee report sent to Calendars (05/09/2025)	Adds regional and unincorporated service areas to the list of entities immune from action for violations stemming from regional service integration into the compliance agreement.	<a href="#">HB 2568</a> Harris Davila (Identical)
<a href="#">SB 740</a>	Perry & West	Relating to certain proceedings by the Public Utility Commission of Texas regarding water or sewer service.	Committee report sent to Calendars (04/29/2025)	Stipulates requirements for a system improvement charge request to the Public Utilities Commission.	<a href="#">HB 2500</a> Spiller (Identical)



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<a href="#">SB 1034</a>	Sparks, Perry, Blanco, Hinojosa & Adam	Relating to cybersecurity for retail public utilities that provide water or sewer service.	Co-author authorized (03/04/2025)	Establishes cybersecurity regulations, including training schedules and data sharing requirements, for retail public utilities.	<a href="#">HB 4231</a> by Capriglione (Identical)
<a href="#">SB 1211</a>	Perry	Relating to an exemption from sales and use taxes for certain tangible personal property used in hydraulic fracturing.	Left pending in committee (04/16/2025)	Provides tax exemptions to materials used to recycle water.	<a href="#">HB 4382</a> Darby (Identical)
<a href="#">SB 1253</a>	Perry	Relating to the authority of a political subdivision to provide credits against impact fees to builders and developers for certain water conservation and reuse projects.	Reported favorably w/o amendments (04/28/2025)	Permits political subdivisions to provide credits against impact fees for facilities/systems that will reduce demand for water, wastewater, and/or stormwater management services.	<a href="#">HB 3875</a> Bell & Cecil (Identical)



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<a href="#">SB 1556</a>	Bettencourt	Relating to connection of utilities by certain entities in certain subdivisions formerly located in a municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction.	Left pending in committee (05/09/2025)	Stipulates that an entity may connect with utility service if it means moving if it is no longer part of a municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction.	N/A
<a href="#">SB 1708</a>	Hinojosa, Adam	Relating to the effect of the model subdivision rules on an exception to county platting requirements applicable to the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality.	Referred to Land & Resource Management (05/08/2025)	Provides exemptions to platting requirements done at the county level.	N/A