

Amend CSHB 2694 (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to ARTICLE 5 of the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of that ARTICLE accordingly:

SECTION 5.____. Subchapter D, Chapter 11, Water Code, is amended by adding Section 11.1273 to read as follows:

Sec. 11.1273. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT: REVIEW OF AMENDMENTS TO CERTAIN WATER MANAGEMENT PLANS. (a) This section applies only to a water management plan consisting of a reservoir operation plan for the operation of two water supply reservoirs that was:

(1) developed by an applicant for a permit under this subchapter; and

(2) originally required by a court order adjudicating the water rights for those reservoirs.

(b) Not later than the first anniversary of the date the executive director determines that an application to amend a water management plan is administratively complete, the executive director shall complete a technical review of the plan.

(c) If the executive director submits a written request for additional information to the applicant, the applicant shall submit the requested information to the executive director not later than the 30th day after the date the applicant receives the request or not later than the deadline agreed to by the executive director and the applicant, if applicable. The review period required by Subsection (b) for completing the technical review is tolled until the date the executive director receives the requested information from the applicant.

(d) The commission shall provide an opportunity for public comment and a public hearing on the application.

(e) If the commission receives a request for a hearing before the period for submitting public comments and requesting a hearing expires, the commission shall act on the request for a hearing and approve or deny the application not later than the 60th day after the date the period expires. If a request for a hearing is not submitted before the period expires, the executive director may approve or deny the application.