

1-1 By: Larson (Senate Sponsor - Perry) H.B. No. 723  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2019;  
 1-3 April 15, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Water  
 1-4 & Rural Affairs; April 26, 2019, reported adversely, with  
 1-5 favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7,  
 1-6 Nays 0; April 26, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14	X			
1-15	X			

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 723 By: Perry

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to a requirement that the Texas Commission on  
 1-20 Environmental Quality obtain or develop updated water availability  
 1-21 models for certain river basins.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 16.012, Water Code, is amended by adding  
 1-24 Subsection (h-1) to read as follows:

1-25 (h-1) Not later than December 1, 2022, the commission shall  
 1-26 obtain or develop updated water availability models for the Brazos  
 1-27 River, Neches River, Red River, and Rio Grande river basins. The  
 1-28 commission may collect data from all jurisdictions that allocate  
 1-29 the waters of the rivers, including jurisdictions outside this  
 1-30 state. This subsection expires September 1, 2023.

1-31 SECTION 2. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is  
 1-32 required to implement a provision of this Act only if the  
 1-33 legislature appropriates money specifically for that purpose. If  
 1-34 the legislature does not appropriate money specifically for that  
 1-35 purpose, the commission may, but is not required to, implement a  
 1-36 provision of this Act using other appropriations available for that  
 1-37 purpose.

1-38 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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