

1-1 By: King of Uvalde (Senate Sponsor - Perry) H.B. No. 2460  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 26, 2023;  
 1-3 April 27, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Water,  
 1-4 Agriculture & Rural Affairs; May 4, 2023, reported favorably by the  
 1-5 following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 4, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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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-2) to read as follows:

1-25 (h-2) Not later than December 1, 2026, the commission shall  
 1-26 obtain or develop updated water availability models for the  
 1-27 Guadalupe, Lavaca, Nueces, San Antonio, San Jacinto, and Trinity  
 1-28 River basins. The commission may collect data from all  
 1-29 jurisdictions that allocate the waters of the rivers, including  
 1-30 jurisdictions outside this state. This subsection expires  
 1-31 September 1, 2027.

1-32 SECTION 2. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is  
 1-33 required to implement a provision of this Act only if the  
 1-34 legislature appropriates money specifically for that purpose. If  
 1-35 the legislature does not appropriate money specifically for that  
 1-36 purpose, the commission may, but is not required to, implement a  
 1-37 provision of this Act using other appropriations available for that  
 1-38 purpose.

1-39 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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