

1-1 By: Morales of Maverick (Senate Sponsor - Blanco) H.B. No. 3333
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 15, 2025;
1-3 May 16, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Water,
1-4 Agriculture and Rural Affairs; May 23, 2025, reported adversely,
1-5 with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8,
1-6 Nays 0; May 23, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Perry	X		
1-10	Hancock	X		
1-11	Birdwell		X	
1-12	Blanco	X		
1-13	Gutierrez	X		
1-14	Hinojosa of Nueces	X		
1-15	Johnson	X		
1-16	Kolkhorst	X		
1-17	Sparks	X		

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 3333 By: Perry

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to a restriction on permits authorizing direct discharges
1-22 of waste or pollutants into water in certain river segments and
1-23 drainage areas.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 26, Water Code, is amended
1-26 by adding Section 26.0275 to read as follows:

1-27 Sec. 26.0275. RESTRICTION ON PERMITS FOR DISCHARGES INTO
1-28 CERTAIN SEGMENTS AND DRAINAGE AREAS. (a) In this section:

1-29 (1) "Classified segment" means any portion of Devils
1-30 River located in Val Verde County and identified in Appendices A and
1-31 C of 30 T.A.C. Section 307.10 as it existed on September 1, 2025.

1-32 (2) "Unclassified water body" means a water body other
1-33 than a classified segment.

1-34 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c), the commission may
1-35 not issue a new permit authorizing the direct discharge from a
1-36 domestic or industrial wastewater treatment facility of any waste,
1-37 effluent, or pollutants into a classified segment or an
1-38 unclassified water body in Val Verde County that drains into a
1-39 classified segment.

1-40 (c) This section does not affect the authority of the
1-41 commission to issue:

1-42 (1) an individual or general permit for a municipal
1-43 separate storm sewer system; or

1-44 (2) a general permit for stormwater and associated
1-45 non-stormwater discharges.

1-46 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only
1-47 to an application for a permit that is submitted to the Texas
1-48 Commission on Environmental Quality on or after the effective date
1-49 of this Act. An application for a permit that was submitted to the
1-50 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality before the effective date
1-51 of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the
1-52 application was filed, and the former law is continued in effect for
1-53 that purpose.

1-54 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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