

1-1 By: Perry S.B. No. 863  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed January 22, 2025; February 13, 2025,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Water, Agriculture and  
1-4 Rural Affairs; April 7, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable  
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0;  
1-6 April 7, 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 S.B. No. 863 By: Perry

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

1-21 relating to water withdrawn from the Edwards Aquifer.  
1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
1-23 SECTION 1. Section 1.34(b), Chapter 626, Acts of the 73rd  
1-24 Legislature, Regular Session, 1993, is amended to read as follows:  
1-25 (b) Water withdrawn from the aquifer may not be transported  
1-26 outside the boundaries of the authority via pipeline or other means  
1-27 for any purpose. Water withdrawn from the aquifer must be used  
1-28 within:  
1-29 (1) the boundaries of the authority; or  
1-30 (2) the certificated area of a retail public utility  
1-31 according to a certificate of convenience and necessity, as the  
1-32 certificate existed on September 1, 2025, any part of which was  
1-33 located within the boundaries of the authority on June 28, 1996.  
1-34 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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