

1-1 By: Parker S.B. No. 1061
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 3, 2025; February 24, 2025,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources;
 1-4 March 17, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,
 1-5 Nays 0; March 17, 2025, 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 procedural requirements for uranium mining production
 1-20 area authorizations.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 27.0513(d), Water Code, is amended to
 1-23 read as follows:

1-24 (d) Notwithstanding Sections 5.551, 5.556, 27.011, and
 1-25 27.018, an application for an authorization or an amendment to an
 1-26 authorization that allows the permit holder to conduct mining and
 1-27 restoration activities in production zones within the boundary
 1-28 established in the permit is an uncontested matter not subject to a
 1-29 contested case hearing or the hearing requirements of Chapter 2001,
 1-30 Government Code, if:

1-31 (1) the authorization is for a production zone located
 1-32 within the boundary of a permit that incorporates, for each
 1-33 production zone addressed in the application, a range table of
 1-34 groundwater quality restoration values used to measure groundwater
 1-35 restoration by the commission;

1-36 (2) the application includes, for each production zone
 1-37 addressed in the application, groundwater quality restoration
 1-38 values falling at or below the upper limit of the range established
 1-39 in Subdivision (1); and

1-40 (3) the authorization is for a production zone located
 1-41 within the boundary of a permit that incorporates groundwater
 1-42 baseline characteristics of the wells for the application required
 1-43 by commission rule.

1-44 SECTION 2. Sections 27.0513(f) and (g), Water Code, are
 1-45 repealed.

1-46 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only
 1-47 to an application for an authorization or an amendment to an
 1-48 authorization that is submitted to the Texas Commission on
 1-49 Environmental Quality on or after the effective date of this Act.
 1-50 An application for an authorization or an amendment to an
 1-51 authorization that was submitted to the commission before the
 1-52 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the
 1-53 time the application or amendment was submitted, and the former law
 1-54 is continued in effect for that purpose.

1-55 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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