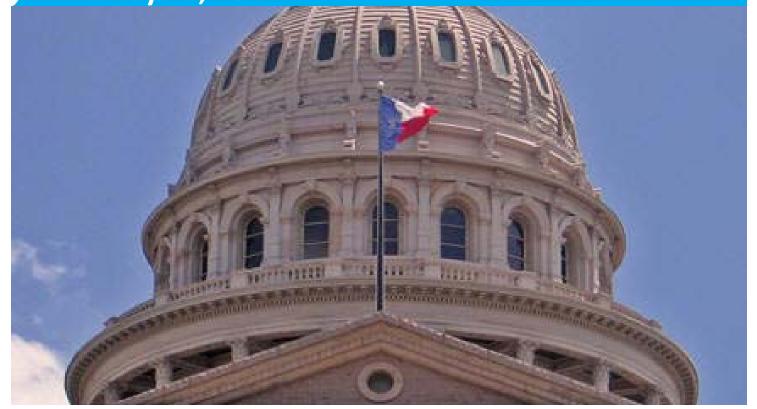




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Property Taxes & Linkage Fees

Property Tax Caps

- SB 2 (Bettencourt)
- HB 15 (Bonnen)

<u>Linkage Fees for</u> <u>Affordable Housing</u>

- HB 1449 (Simmons)
- SB 852 (Nelson)





TCEQ Fees & PUC Appeals

- SB 1105 (Hinojosa) &
 HB 3026 (Phelan) TCEQ
 Used Oil fee account merger
- HB 2369 (Nevarez) School district appeals of certain municipal water fees







State Water Planning

SB 347 (Watson)

Open meetings and open records for regional planning groups, committees & subcommittees

HB 2780 (Paddie)/SB 1289 (Creighton)

US iron and steel requirements

HB 2948 (Larson)

- Creates an Interregional Planning Council
- Regional water plan requirements:
 - Identify "uneccesary and counterproductive drought response strategies, including outdoor watering restrictions"
 - GPCD goals for municipal user groups per decade







Local Bills - Growth

- HB 1523/HB 4327 (Workman) SW Travis County Special Utility District
- HB 4336 (Workman) Greenshores Freshwater District
- HB 922 (Workman) SW Travis County Groundwater District
- HB 2959 (Isaac) City of Hays wholesale service
- HB 4345 (Rodriguez)/SB 1996 (Watson) Rio de Vida Municipal Utility District
- HB 4348 (Dukes) Vision East Municipal Utility District



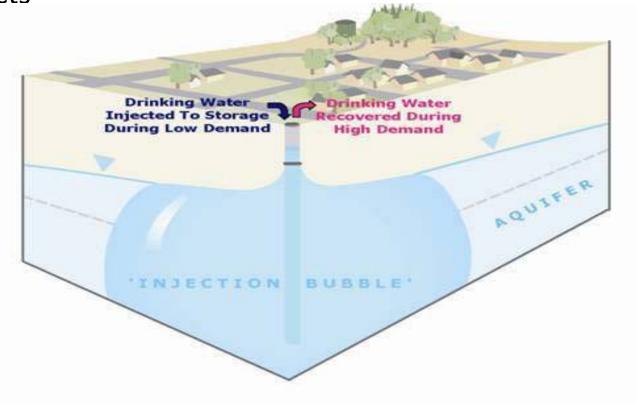


Aquifer Storage and Recovery

 HB 2005 (Larson) – TWDB studies of ASR projects and favorable areas



 HB 3991 (Larson) – Water rights for ASR projects





Drinking Water

- SB 1587 (Garcia) Lead line replacements for schools
- HB 2395 (Collier) Lead testing by all school districts and charter schools
- SB 546 (Kolkhorst) Water in state supported living centers
- HB 3153 (Sheffield) Notice to customers before reducing or terminating fluoridation







Wildlands

- HB 1009 (Alonzo) Prescribed burning by cities
- HB 4304 (Workman) Removal of parkland from Balcones Canyonlands Preserve and restrictions on future land additions
- SB 1172 (Perry)/HB 2758 (Geren) Prohibits municipal regulation of seeds
- HB 3036 (King) Wastewater discharge prohibition over Edwards Aquifer recharge zone







Conservation

- HB 965 (Springer) Water restrictions for prisons
- HB 1573 (Price) TWDB certification of water loss auditors
- HB 3717 (King) Landscape rebate program registration and drought tolerant plant promotion
- SB 2026 (Rodriguez)/HB 1536 (Farrar) – Green stormwater infrastructure study by TCEQ



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Resources

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