By: King of Uvalde (Senate Sponsor - Perry) H.B. No. 1646

(In the Senate - Received from the House April 19, 2023; April 20, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Water, Agriculture & Rural Affairs; May 21, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 21, 2023, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
Perry	X			. <u> </u>
Hancock	X			
Blanco	X			
Flores	X			
Gutierrez	X			. <u> </u>
Johnson	X			. <u> </u>
Kolkhorst	X			. <u> </u>
Sparks	X			
Springer	X			

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1646

By: Perry

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of water withdrawn from the Edwards Aquifer.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1.34(b), Chapter 626, Acts of the 73rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1993, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Water withdrawn from the aquifer must be used within:

(1) the boundaries of the authority; or

(2) the geographic area of a certificate of convenience and necessity:

(A) as the certificate of convenience and necessity existed on September 1, 2023; and

(B) any part of which was located within the boundaries of the authority on June 28, 1996.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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