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LSG Floor Report For General Calendar- Tuesday, March 21, 2017

Bill	Caption	Committee	Analysis & Evaluation	Recommendation
HB 101 By: Craddick	Relating to the development of and contracting for reclaimed water facilities in certain municipalities.	Natural Resources	<p>HB 101 is a bracketed bill, for the city of Midland, which seeks to add security for the duration of the contract between Pioneer Natural Resources and the City of Midland for a Reclaimed Water Project. The purpose of the bill is to ensure that the already agreed upon contract remains intact with the inevitable changes of elected local government officials of Midland.</p> <p>Following the recent drought, the City of Midland sent out a Request for Proposals to optimize the use of its wastewater. The Midland City Council selected the proposal from Pioneer Natural Resources which will invest \$120 million to improve the wastewater treatment plant in return for reclaimed water to be sold, at a reduced rate, to Pioneer Natural Resources for their fracking operations.</p> <p>Currently, Pioneer uses 340,000 barrels of water a day for their drilling operations, of which slightly less than 50% of the water utilized is fresh water. With the proposed improvements, the Midland wastewater plant will be able to mitigate the proposed 10 million gallons of wastewater per day for the use of this project. This public private partnership with the City of Midland will ensure that Pioneer’s Midland project will not only be able to rely solely on reclaimed wastewater, but be able to grow the project. By using wastewater, the City of Midland will have more access to fresh water to utilize in ways that would be beneficial for its citizens.</p>	Favorable Evaluated by: Erin Eriksen 210-382-4295 Erin@Texaslsg.org
HB 641 By: Kacal	Relating to the continuation of the Red River Boundary Commission.	Natural Resources	<p>HB 641 extends the Red River Boundary Commission from 2017 to 2021. A borderline is set within Lake Texoma separating Texas and Oklahoma. Through a mapping error a Texas pump station was constructed within the Oklahoma portion of the lake. The Texas pump station in Oklahoma waters violates federal law. Extending the Red River Boundary Commission would allocate more time for Texas and Oklahoma to rectify the situation through a net zero land exchange.</p>	Favorable Evaluated by: Erin Eriksen 210-382-4295 Erin@Texaslsg.org

<p>HB 1257 By: Phillips</p>	<p>Relating to the prosecution of and punishment for the offense of criminal mischief involving property used for flood control purposes or a dam.</p>	<p>Natural Resources</p>	<p>House Bill 1257 would amend the Penal Code to include offenses that result in the whole or partial impairment or interruption of property used for flood control purposes or a dam. The crime would be punishable as a state jail felony, if it results in the pecuniary loss of less than \$30,000. Current statute makes it a criminal offense to interrupt public services of communications, transportation, gas or power supply, but does not expressly address flood control areas or dams. Interruption of flood regulating services can damage property and pose a threat to human safety. A state jail felony has penalties of between 180 days to 2 years in jail and fines up to \$10,000.</p>	<p>Favorable Evaluated by: Erin Eriksen 210-382-4295 Erin@Texaslsg.org</p>
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