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1 AN ACT 2 relating to the requirement that certain water service providers ensure emergency operations during an extended power outage. 3 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 SECTION 1. Section 13.1395(a)(1), Water Code, is amended to read as follows: 6 7 (1) "Affected utility" means a retail public utility, 8 exempt utility, or provider or conveyor of potable or raw water service that furnishes water service to more than one customer: 9 10 (A) in a county with a population of 3.3 million 11 or more; or 12 **(B)** in a county with a population of 550,000 13 [400,000] or more adjacent to a county with a population of 3.3 14 million or more. 15 SECTION 2. (a) Not later than November 1, 2011, each 16 affected utility described by Section 13.1395(a)(1)(B), Water 17 Code, as amended by this Act, shall submit the information required by Section 13.1396, Water Code, to: 18 19 (1) each appropriate county judge and office of 20 emergency management; 21 (2) the Public Utility Commission of Texas; and 22 (3) the division of emergency management of the 23 governor. Not later than February 1, 2012, each affected utility 24 (b)

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described by Section 13.1395(a)(1)(B), Water Code, as amended by
this Act, shall submit to the Texas Commission on Environmental
Quality the emergency preparedness plan required by Section
13.1395, Water Code, as amended by this Act.

5 (c) Not later than June 1, 2012, each affected utility 6 described by Section 13.1395(a)(1)(B), Water Code, as amended by 7 this Act, shall implement the emergency preparedness plan approved 8 by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality under Section 9 13.1395, Water Code, as amended by this Act.

10 affected (d) An utility described by Section 11 13.1395(a)(1)(B), Water Code, as amended by this Act, may file with 12 the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality a written request for an extension, not to exceed 90 days, of the date by which the 13 14 affected utility is required under Subsection (b) of this section 15 to submit the affected utility's emergency preparedness plan or of 16 the date by which the affected utility is required under Subsection (c) of this section to implement the affected utility's emergency 17 18 preparedness plan. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality shall approve the requested extension for good cause shown. 19

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 24 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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I certify that H.B. No. 805 was passed by the House on March 30, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 805 on May 25, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

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I certify that H.B. No. 805 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 24, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: <u>17 Juni</u> Date

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