

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action:	Do Passes Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	8 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Bailey, Bentz, Boone, Krieger, Thompson, Witt, Cannon, Gilliam
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	2/3, 2/10

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Reduces to two the number of publications required for certain notices pertaining to Water Resources Department and Water Resources Commission.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Ability of persons who currently own water rights to inform themselves of pending agency action
- Reduction in cost to agency and to agency's customers
- Access of individuals to websites and electronic notices

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Changes to two the minimum publication requirement for each transaction described in the measure.

BACKGROUND: Under current law, many activities of the Water Resources Department, including pending applications and upcoming public hearings, must be published in local newspapers weekly for multiple weeks. House Bill 2135 A would reduce to two the number of newspaper publications required for such notices.