BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the land of the San Antonio State Hospital contains the headgate to the San Juan Acequia and the only existing remains of the historic San Juan Dam. This bill would allow the General Land Office to donate San Antonio State Hospital land to the National Park Service and thereby help to preserve a historical resource.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1125 authorizes the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to convey certain land of the San Antonio State Hospital lands to the federal government for administration by the National Park Service as a national park.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Authorizes the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to convey, on behalf of the state, all of the interest of the state in the real property described by Section 2 of this Act to the federal government for administration by the National Park Service as a national park. Provides that Sections 31.1571 and 31.158, Natural Resources Code, do not apply to the conveyance authorized by this section.

SECTION 2. Provides that real property authorized for conveyance by Section 1 of this Act is a portion of the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation's San Antonio State Hospital being 29.315 acres of land in two tracts, on of 28.478 acres and one of 0.837 of one acre, and being all of that part of the San Antonio State Hospital lands currently lying west or southwest of the combined rights of way of South Presa Road and the Southern Pacific Railroad and situated within the Anselmo Galvan Survey No. 25, Abstract No. 259, and further being a part of the lands described in a deed to the State of Texas recorded in volume 63, page 317, of the Deed Records of Bexar County, Texas.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.