

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, Chapter 49 (Provisions Applicable to All Districts), Water Code, fails to explain the compliance measures of storm water projects. Some district are concerned that complying with storm water management requirements would require competitive bidding. C.S.S.B. 1729 clarifies that a water district may contract directly for services related to complying with construction storm water management regulations without receiving competitive bids.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 49.278(a), Water Code, to add a provision that this subchapter does not apply to contracts for services related to compliance with a state or federal construction storm water requirement, including acquisition of permits, construction, repair, and removal of temporary erosion control devices, cleaning of silt and debris from streets and storm sewers, monitoring of construction sites and preparation and filing of all required reports.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.