

**BILL ANALYSIS**

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**DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, certain counties do not have a regional water authority. As proposed, S.B. 1902 creates the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority as a conservation and reclamation district within Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr, Willacy, Webb, and Zapata counties.

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

**SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

ARTICLE I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 1.01. DEFINITIONS.

SECTION 1.02. CREATION.

SECTION 1.03. PURPOSE OF AUTHORITY.

SECTION 1.04. FINDING OF BENEFIT AND PUBLIC PURPOSE.

SECTION 1.05. BOUNDARIES.

SECTION 1.06. WATER RIGHTS NOT AFFECTED.

ARTICLE II. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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SECTION 2.02. INITIAL DIRECTORS.

SECTION 2.03. VACANCY.

SECTION 2.04. OATH AND BOND REQUIREMENT FOR DIRECTOR.

SECTION 2.05. DIRECTOR COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES.

SECTION 2.06. OFFICERS.

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SECTION 2.08. EMPLOYEES.

SECTION 2.09. DUTIES OF GENERAL MANAGER.

SECTION 2.10. COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES.

SECTION 2.11. SURETY BOND.

SECTION 2.12. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

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SECTION 2.14. RECORDS.

#### ARTICLE III. POWERS AND DUTIES

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SECTION 3.02. AD VALOREM TAX PROHIBITED.

SECTION 3.03. NONCONTRACTUAL FEES PROHIBITED.

SECTION 3.04. STATE SUPERVISION AND APPROVAL.

SECTION 3.05. ADDITIONAL POWERS RELATING TO ACQUISITION OR OPERATION OF PROPERTY.

SECTION 3.06. ADDITIONAL POWERS RELATING TO CONTRACT, LEASE, AGREEMENT, OR CONVEYANCE.

SECTION 3.07. COURT-APPOINTED RECEIVER.

#### ARTICLE IV. GENERAL FINANCIAL MATTERS

SECTION 4.01. PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT.

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SECTION 4.03. FILING OF AUDIT.

#### ARTICLE V. BONDS

SECTION 5.01. BOND PROVISIONS.

SECTION 5.02. DEED OF TRUST OR MORTGAGE LIEN.

SECTION 5.03. ELECTION FOR REVENUE BONDS NOT REQUIRED.

SECTION 5.04. LIMITATIONS ON AUTHORITY TO ISSUE BONDS.

SECTION 5.05. BONDS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION.

SECTION 5.06. FULL AUTHORITY.

#### ARTICLE VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 6.01. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.