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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Texas has the strongest economy in the South and leads the region in population growth, creating greater demand for water.

Water desalination, already common in the Caribbean, the Middle East, and elsewhere, is worth exploring as the state strives to meet future water needs of citizens, agriculture, and industry.

The future prosperity of Texas depends heavily on the availability of water, and it is imperative that we fully understand all of our options when it comes to securing this vital resource.

RESOLVED

That the 83rd Legislature of the State of Texas hereby request the lieutenant governor and the speaker of the house of representatives to create a joint interim committee to study water desalination in Texas.

That the committee's proceedings and operations be governed by such general rules and policies for joint interim committees as the 83rd Legislature may adopt.