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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill would establish a Legislative Water Commission consisting of 12 legislators (six from each legislative body) with various duties, including reviewing water related reports and making legislative recommendations.

#### Section

- 1**      **Legislative Water Commission.** Adds § 3.886. Establishes a 12-member Legislative Water Commission. The commission consists of six members from each legislative body. Three members from each body must be from the majority caucus and three members from each body must be from the minority caucus. Allows the commission to appoint staff and consultants as necessary.

Requires the commission to: review water policy reports and recommendations provided by various state entities and make recommendations to assist the legislature in formulating legislation. Provides that the commission is sunset July 1, 2018.

- 2**      **Appropriation.** Appropriates \$180,000 from the general fund in fiscal year 2014 and \$167,000 in fiscal year 2015 to the Legislative Coordinating Commission for the Legislative Water Commission.