Item 12e - 88th Legislative Session Update

The Texas Legislator will convene January 10, 2023 for the 88th Legislative Session. There will be bills filed that will affect the management of groundwater. You will be made aware of any bills filed and have the opportunity as a board to not only discuss it but determine whether to support, oppose, or remain neutral on the filing.

The General Manager will be the District's envoy to the Legislator concerning the stance taken by the District. It has been customary for the board, once all bills have been filed, to review all bills affecting groundwater management in the District and take a position giving guidance to the General Manager as visits are made to the Capitol.

Currently, there has been only one bill filed affecting the management of groundwater:

SB 156 Sen. Perry (This is refiling of SB 152 which did not pass last session)