HB 3552 (2nd reading) Sheffield (CSHB 3552 by Ramos)

SUBJECT: Notifying stakeholders of a cessation of water fluoridation

COMMITTEE: Natural Resources — committee substitute recommended

VOTE: 9 ayes — Larson, Metcalf, Dominguez, Farrar, Harris, T. King, Nevárez,

Price, Ramos

0 nays

2 absent — Lang, Oliverson

WITNESSES: For — Matt Roberts, Texas Dental Association; (Registered, but did not

testify: Donna Warndof, Harris County Public Health Dept; Christine Yanas, Methodist Healthcare Ministries of South Texas, Inc.; David Mintz, Texas Academy of General Dentistry; Craig Holzheauser, Texas Association of City and County Health Officials; Joshua Houston, Texas Impact; Ankita Brahmaroutu, Texas Medical Association; Clayton Travis,

Texas Pediatric Society)

Against — (*Registered*, but did not testify: Sandy Dunn)

DIGEST: CSHB 3552 would prohibit an owner, manager, operator, or other person

in charge of a public water supply system from permanently terminating the fluoridation of the water unless written notice was provided to the customers of the system and the Texas Commission on Environmental

Quality at least 60 days before the termination.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2019.