BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Williamson County is included only in the electric service area of the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) while receiving its water services from the Brazos River Authority (BRA). In 1995, a historic agreement was signed by the BRA and LCRA which created the "Alliance" to cooperate on the conservation, planning, and development of regional water resources in Williamson County. This bill would allow LCRA to provide water services within Williamson County.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1879 allows the Lower Colorado River Authority to provide water services within Williamson County.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 26, Article 8280-107, V.T.C.S., to authorize the Lower Colorado River Authority to exercise all powers within Williamson County under certain conditions. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.