

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center

S.B. 905  
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Enrolled

### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

S.B. 905 directs the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to create a direct potable reuse document so that entities will be able to understand the process for having such a project. It does not create new rules or permitting.

(Original Author's/Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

S.B. 905 amends current law relating to guidance on the regulations applicable to the potable reuse of wastewater.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter C, Chapter 341, Health and Safety Code, by adding Section 341.0391, as follows:

Sec. 341.0391. DIRECT POTABLE REUSE GUIDANCE. (a) Defines "direct potable reuse" to mean the introduction of treated reclaimed municipal wastewater either:

(1) directly into a public water system; or

(2) into a raw water supply immediately before the water enters a drinking water treatment plant.

(b) Requires the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to develop and make available to the public a regulatory guidance manual to explain TCEQ rules that apply to direct potable reuse.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2021.