

CHAPTER 233

H.B. No. 346

AN ACT

relating to the regulation of greywater.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 26.0311(a), Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) In this section, "greywater" means wastewater from clothes washing machines, showers, bathtubs, handwashing lavatories, and sinks that are not used for [~~food preparation or~~] disposal of *hazardous or toxic* [~~chemical and biological~~] ingredients.

SECTION 2. Section 341.039, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 341.039. GRAYWATER STANDARDS. (a) The board *and the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners* by rule shall adopt and implement minimum standards for the use *and reuse* of graywater in irrigation and for other agricultural, domestic, commercial, and industrial purposes to assure that the use of graywater is not a nuisance and does not damage the quality of surface water and groundwater in this state.

(b) In this section, "graywater" means wastewater from clothes-washing machines, showers, bathtubs, hand-washing lavatories, and sinks that are not used for [~~food preparation or~~] disposal of *hazardous or toxic* [~~chemical and biological~~] ingredients.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on April 6, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 13, 1993, by a viva-voce vote.

Approved May 20, 1993.

Effective Aug. 30, 1993, 90 days after date of adjournment.