CHAPTER 678

S.B. No. 1488

AN ACT

relating to the installation and repair of water well pumps and equipment.

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

SECTION 1. Section 32.009, Water Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

- (d) Notwithstanding Subsection (a) of this section, the commission may not adopt rules under this chapter:
 - (1) regulating the installation or repair of well pumps and equipment by a person who owns or is in control of property or the person's employee or a person not hired or compensated acting on the person's behalf on the property the person owns or controls for the person's own use; or
 - (2) requiring a person who owns or is in control of property or possesses a well to complete, repair, or retrofit the well to any standard other than a standard in effect at the time the well was originally completed unless the well is found to be a threat to public health and safety or to water quality.

SECTION 2. Section 33.007, Water Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

- (d) Notwithstanding Subsection (a) of this section, the commission may not adopt rules under this chapter:
 - (1) regulating the installation or repair of well pumps and equipment by a person who owns or is in control of property or the person's employee or a person not hired or compensated acting on the person's behalf on the property the person owns or controls for the person's own use; or
 - (2) requiring a person who owns or is in control of property or possesses a well to complete, repair, or retrofit the well to any standard other than a standard in effect at the time the well was originally completed unless the well is found to be a threat to public health and safety or to water quality.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 1993.

SECTION 4. 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.

Passed the Senate on May 17, 1993, by a viva-voce vote; passed the House on May 26, 1993, by a non-record vote.

Approved June 15, 1993.

Effective Sept. 1, 1993.