

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 3103 Relating to water uses

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Natural Resources Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Frederick

HB 3103 allows the holder of a water right certificate that authorizes water storage to change the type of use identified in the water right without losing priority of the right. The measure directs the Water Resources Commission to engage professional facilitation services, design a process for stakeholder meetings, and hold six to twelve meetings with at least 20 diverse stakeholders between the effective date of the Act and June 30, 2023 for the purpose of finding stakeholder agreement on a path forward for transfers of stored water and related legislative proposals.

The measure provides a \$485,100 General Fund appropriation to the Commission for these purposes.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 3103 be reported out do pass.