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**Senator Kolkhorst Passes Reservoir Real Estate Transparency Legislation**

Senator Lois W. Kolkhorst sponsored and passed House Bill 1665 in the Texas Senate. The bill, written by Representative Dennis Bonnen, will require Texans who are selling waterfront property to provide notice to a buyer that the nearby body of water is subject to fluctuation by drought, flood, or by others holding rights to use the water. Both Bonnen and Kolkhorst represent the lower Colorado River basin, which has encountered both severe droughts and floods in recent years.

"The droughts and floods along the Colorado River and across Texas have created a problem for property owners that must be addressed. Prospective home and business owners who are looking to purchase waterfront property are often unaware that the body of water near their property may not always offer a scenic view or recreational opportunities due to water level fluctuation," said Kolkhorst. "That is why I sponsored and passed House Bill 1665 so we can give notice of water level fluctuations to protect property buyers. The droughts and floods across Texas are a reminder that many reservoirs in Texas are not constant level. This bill makes sure that property buyers and sellers are on the same page before the contract is signed."

Approved by both the House and Senate, the legislation is now on Governor Abbott's desk awaiting his signature.

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