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# H. R. 2341

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural  
Resources

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## AN ACT

To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of a project to reclaim and reuse wastewater within and outside of the service area of the City of Austin Water and Wastewater Utility, Texas.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, WASTE-**  
4 **WATER RECLAMATION AND REUSE PROJECT.**

5       (a) AUTHORIZATION OF PROJECT.—The Reclamation  
6 Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act  
7 (Public Law 102–575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.)  
8 is amended by adding at the end the following:

9 **“SEC. 1636. AUSTIN, TEXAS, WATER RECLAMATION AND**  
10 **REUSE PROJECT.**

11       “(a) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary, in coopera-  
12 tion with the City of Austin Water and Wastewater Util-  
13 ity, Texas, is authorized to participate in the planning (in-  
14 cluding an appraisal and feasibility study), design, and  
15 construction of, and land acquisition for, a project to re-  
16 claim and reuse wastewater, including degraded ground-  
17 waters, within and outside of the service area of the City  
18 of Austin Water and Wastewater Utility, Texas.

19       “(b) COST SHARE.—The Federal share of the cost  
20 of the project authorized by this section shall not exceed  
21 25 percent of the total cost of the project.

22       “(c) LIMITATION.—The Secretary shall not provide  
23 funds for the operation and maintenance of the project  
24 authorized by this section.

1       “(d) SUNSET OF AUTHORITY.—The authority of the  
2 Secretary to carry out any provisions of this section shall  
3 terminate 10 years after the date of the enactment of this  
4 section.”.

5       (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents  
6 in section 2 of Public Law 102–575 (106 Stat. 4600) is  
7 amended by adding at the end of the items relating to  
8 chapter XVI the following:

“Sec. 1636. Austin, Texas, water reclamation and reuse project.”.

Passed the House of Representatives April 25, 2006.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

*Clerk.*