Dear Friends of the Texas Hill Country,

On Tuesday, April 6th the House Committee on Land and Resource Management heard 24 speakers who testified in favor of <u>HB 3883</u>, Representative Kyle Biedermann's bill to provide citizens of nine Hill Country counties the opportunity to vote on giving their county limited authority to control development.

Only one person spoke against the bill, representing the Texas Builder's Association. Sadly, this one speaker seemed to make more of an impression on some of the Committee members than did county commissioners, members of Hill Country groundwater conservation districts, and many concerned citizens speaking for the bill.

HB 3883 was left pending in committee and, there was talk of crafting a committee substitute that would be more favorable to the builders.

One way to move this bill is to contact the members of the Committee and urge them to send HB 3883 – as is – on to a vote by the Texas House.

House Committee on Land and Resource Management

Chairman Chair: Rep. Joe Deshotel
Vice Chair: Rep. Ben Leman
Members: Rep. Kyle Biedermann

Rep. Dustin Burrows
Rep. Tom Craddick
Rep. Ramon Romero
Rep. Jon E. Rosenthal
Rep. David Spiller
Rep. Shawn Thierry

<u>Here</u> are some talking points in support of HB 3883. You can read GEAA's comments <u>here</u>. If you do not have time craft detailed comments, a simple statement of support "*I support passage of HB 3883 without substitutions.*" will suffice.

If you are tired of spending your time and money fighting goofy projects that will negatively impact your property values and our water resources, take a minute to contact the members of the Committee and let them know how you feel. I guarantee you, without passage of HB 3883, our health, safety, and quality of life will remain at risk of death by a thousand new projects.