By: Cook of Colorado H.B. No. 3214

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the fees of office payable to directors of certain

3 general and special law districts.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 49.060, Water Code, is amended by

amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as

7 follows:

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8 (a) A director is entitled to receive fees of office of not

more than \$150 a day for each day the director actually spends

performing the duties of a director. In this subsection,

"performing the duties of a director" means substantive performance

of the management or business of the district, including

participation in board and committee meetings and other activities

involving the substantive deliberation of district business and in

15 pertinent educational programs. The phrase does not include

routine or ministerial activities such as the execution of

documents, self-preparation for meetings, or other activities

18 requiring a minimal amount of time.

19 <u>(a-1)</u> A district, by resolution of the board, shall set a

20 limit on the fees of office that a director may receive in a year.

21 Except for a district that is [The fees of office may not exceed

22 \$6,000 per annum except for directors of] a special water authority

23 [which is] engaged in the distribution and sale of electric energy

to the public, a district may not set the annual limit at an amount

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- 1 greater than \$7,200.
- 2 SECTION 2. Section 49.060(d), Water Code, is repealed.
- 3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 7 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.