

AN ACT

relating to the fees of office payable to directors of certain general and special law districts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 49.060, Water Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(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 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 requiring a minimal amount of time.

(a-1) A district, by resolution of the board, shall set a limit on the fees of office that a director may receive in a year. Except for a district that is [The fees of office may not exceed \$6,000 per annum except for directors of] a special water authority [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

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 Section 49.060(d), Water Code, is repealed.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.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3214 was passed by the House on May 6, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3214 was passed by the Senate on May 27, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor