By:Cook of ColoradoH.B. No. 3214Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3214:By:PuenteC.S.H.B. No. 3214

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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 6 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as 7 follows:

(a) A director is entitled to receive fees of office of not 8 more than \$150 a day for each day the director actually spends 9 performing the duties of a director. In this subsection, 10 "performing the duties of a director" means substantive performance 11 12 of the management or business of the district, including participation in board and committee meetings and other activities 13 14 involving the substantive deliberation of district business and in pertinent educational programs. The phrase does not include 15 routine or ministerial activities such as the execution of 16 documents, self-preparation for meetings, or other activities 17 18 requiring a minimal amount of time.

19 <u>(a-1) A district, by resolution of the board, shall set a</u> 20 limit on the fees of office that a director may receive in a year. 21 <u>Except for a district that is</u> [The fees of office may not exceed 22 <del>\$6,000 per annum except for directors of</del>] a special water authority 23 [which is] engaged in the distribution and sale of electric energy 24 to the public, a district may not set the annual limit at an amount

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1 greater than \$7,200.

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 Section 49.060(d), Water Code, is repealed.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