

1-1 By: Cook of Colorado (Senate Sponsor - Armbrister) H.B. No. 3214
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 7, 2003;
1-3 May 9, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural
1-4 Resources; May 16, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 16, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the fees of office payable to directors of certain
1-9 general and special law districts.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 49.060, Water Code, is amended by
1-12 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as
1-13 follows:

1-14 (a) A director is entitled to receive fees of office of not
1-15 more than \$150 a day for each day the director actually spends
1-16 performing the duties of a director. In this subsection,
1-17 "performing the duties of a director" means substantive performance
1-18 of the management or business of the district, including
1-19 participation in board and committee meetings and other activities
1-20 involving the substantive deliberation of district business and in
1-21 pertinent educational programs. The phrase does not include
1-22 routine or ministerial activities such as the execution of
1-23 documents, self-preparation for meetings, or other activities
1-24 requiring a minimal amount of time.

1-25 (a-1) A district, by resolution of the board, shall set a
1-26 limit on the fees of office that a director may receive in a year.
1-27 Except for a district that is [The fees of office may not exceed
1-28 \$6,000 per annum except for directors of] a special water authority
1-29 [which is] engaged in the distribution and sale of electric energy
1-30 to the public, a district may not set the annual limit at an amount
1-31 greater than \$7,200.

1-32 SECTION 2. Section 49.060(d), Water Code, is repealed.

1-33 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-34 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-35 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-36 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-37 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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