

1-1 By: Fraser S.B. No. 821
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1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 821 By: Gallegos

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to certain bonds issued by the Comanche County
1-11 Consolidated Hospital District.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 3.14, Chapter 132, Acts
1-14 of the 74th Legislature, Regular Session, 1995, is amended to read
1-15 as follows:

1-16 (a) In addition to the power to issue bonds payable from
1-17 taxes levied by the district as provided by ~~[under]~~ Section 3.11
1-18 ~~[3.12]~~ of this Act, the board of directors may issue and refund any
1-19 previously issued revenue bond to:

1-20 (1) purchase, construct, acquire, repair, equip, or
1-21 renovate a building or improvement for hospital purposes;

1-22 (2) acquire a site for hospital purposes; or

1-23 (3) acquire and operate a mobile emergency service to
1-24 assist the district in carrying out the district's hospital
1-25 purposes.

1-26 SECTION 2. Chapter 132, Acts of the 74th Legislature,
1-27 Regular Session, 1995, is amended by adding Sections 3.14A and
1-28 3.14B to read as follows:

1-29 Sec. 3.14A. ADDITIONAL MEANS OF SECURING REPAYMENT OF
1-30 BONDS. (a) In addition to the power to issue bonds payable solely
1-31 from and secured by taxes imposed by the district as authorized by
1-32 Section 3.11 of this Act and the power to issue bonds payable from
1-33 and secured by revenues and other sources as authorized by Section
1-34 3.14 of this Act, the board of directors may provide for the
1-35 security and payment of district bonds from a pledge of a
1-36 combination of:

1-37 (1) ad valorem taxes as authorized by Section 3.11 of
1-38 this Act; and

1-39 (2) the revenues and other sources authorized by
1-40 Section 3.14 of this Act.

1-41 (b) Bonds, other than refunding bonds, that the board
1-42 proposes to secure wholly or partly by an ad valorem tax must be
1-43 approved at an election held in the district in accordance with
1-44 Section 3.11 of this Act.

1-45 (c) Bonds authorized at an election held in the district
1-46 before the effective date of the Act of the 78th Legislature,
1-47 Regular Session, 2003, that enacted this section may be payable
1-48 from and secured by:

1-49 (1) taxes as authorized by the election; or

1-50 (2) a pledge of a combination of ad valorem taxes,
1-51 revenues, and other sources as authorized by Subsection (a) of this
1-52 section.

1-53 Sec. 3.14B. USE OF CERTAIN PROCEEDS; PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.

1-54 (a) The district may use the proceeds of bonds described by
1-55 Section 3.11, 3.14, or 3.14A of this Act to pay:

1-56 (1) any expense the board of directors determines is
1-57 reasonable and necessary to effect the issuance, sale, and delivery
1-58 of the bonds;

1-59 (2) interest on the bonds during a period of
1-60 acquisition or construction of a project or facility to be provided
1-61 through the bonds;

1-62 (3) operation and maintenance costs of a project or
1-63 facility to be provided through the bonds during an estimated

2-1 period of acquisition or construction and for one year after the
2-2 project or facility is acquired or constructed;
2-3 (4) costs related to the financing of the bond funds,
2-4 including debt service reserve and contingency funds;
2-5 (5) costs related to the issuance of the bonds;
2-6 (6) costs related to the acquisition of land or an
2-7 interest in land for a project or facility to be provided through
2-8 the bonds; and
2-9 (7) construction costs of a project or facility to be
2-10 provided through the bonds, including the payment of related
2-11 professional services and expenses.

2-12 (b) A "period of acquisition or construction," as that term
2-13 is used in Subsection (a) of this section, may not exceed five
2-14 years.

2-15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-19 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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