By: Averitt S.B. No. 899

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

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2 relating to the fees of office and reimbursement of directors of 3 groundwater conservation districts.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subsection (d), Section 36.060, Water Code, is 6 amended to read as follows:

(d) Section 36.052(a) notwithstanding, <u>Subsection (a)</u> [this section] prevails over any other law in conflict with or inconsistent with <u>that subsection</u> [this section], including a special law governing a specific district <u>unless the special law prohibits the directors of that district from receiving a fee of office</u>. If the application of this section results in an increase in the fees of office for any district, that district's fees of office shall not increase unless the district's board by resolution authorizes payment of the higher fees.

SECTION 2. 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.