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S.B. No. 1570

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the administration, powers duties, and operation of the
3 Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District.

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

5 SECTION 1. Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 1312, 2001
6 Tex.Gen.Laws 3222 is amended by amending Section 16 and adding
7 Subdivision (e) to read as follows:

8 Sec. 16. PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY WELLS. (a) A public water
9 supply well is exempt from regulation by the district if:

10 (1) the well is in existence on the effective date of this
11 Act and drilled in compliance with technical requirements in effect
12 at the time the well was drilled; or

13 (2) the commission has approved plans submitted for the
14 installation of the well before the effective date of this Act and
15 the installation of the well is completed in accordance with the
16 approved plans and the commission's technical requirements before
17 the first anniversary of the effective date of this Act.

18 (b) The owner of a public water supply well shall register
19 the well with the district and submit reports to the district. A
20 public water supply well is subject to the district's prohibitions
21 on the waste of groundwater.

22 (c) The district may not require a construction or operating
23 permit for a public water supply well approved by the commission.

24 (d) Fees a retail public utility pays to the district shall

1 be collected directly from the customers of the utility as a
2 regulatory fee and shown as a separate line item on the customer's
3 bill.

4 (e) For purposes of Subsection (a)(2) above, the
5 installation of the well is completed, if, prior to September 1,
6 2002, a well is drilled, cased, and cemented in accordance with the
7 Commission's technical requirements and according to the plans
8 submitted to and approved by the commission prior to September 1,
9 2001 even if the well is capped for subsequent placement into
10 service as part of a public water supply system.

11 SECTION 2. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
12 over another Act of the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003,
13 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
14 codes.

15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect on September 1, 2003.