

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

S.B. 839  
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Natural Resources  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Current Texas law states that domestic wells located on more than ten acres of land are exempt from the Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District's (district) annual fees.

CSHB 2362 authorizes the district to collect a fee on all wells used for domestic purposes.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 3.0111(d), Chapter 966, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, as follows:

(d) Authorizes reasonable fees, as determined by the Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District, to be imposed on an annual basis on each nonexempt well and on each well exempt from permitting under Section 36.117(b)(1), Water Code.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 11(d), Chapter 1349, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, to make a conforming change.

SECTION 3. Effective date: On passage or if the Act does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2005.

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