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| 1  | AN ACT                                                               |
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| 2  | relating to the rates charged by a municipally owned utility to      |
| 3  | certain recreational vehicle parks for potable water or wastewater   |
| 4  | service.                                                             |
| 5  | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:              |
| 6  | SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 13, Water Code, is amended          |
| 7  | by adding Section 13.087 to read as follows:                         |
| 8  | Sec. 13.087. MUNICIPAL RATES FOR CERTAIN RECREATIONAL                |
| 9  | VEHICLE PARKS. (a) In this section:                                  |
| 10 | (1) "Nonsubmetered master metered utility service"                   |
| 11 | means potable water service that is master metered but not           |
| 12 | submetered and wastewater service that is based on master metered    |
| 13 | potable water service.                                               |
| 14 | (2) "Recreational vehicle" includes a:                               |
| 15 | (A) "house trailer" as that term is defined by                       |
| 16 | Section 501.002, Transportation Code; and                            |
| 17 | (B) "towable recreational vehicle" as that term                      |
| 18 | is defined by Section 541.201, Transportation Code.                  |
| 19 | (3) "Recreational vehicle park" means a commercial                   |
| 20 | property on which service connections are made for recreational      |
| 21 | vehicle transient guest use and for which fees are paid at intervals |
| 22 | of one day or longer.                                                |
| 23 | (b) A municipally owned utility that provides nonsubmetered          |
| 24 | master metered utility service to a recreational vehicle park shall  |

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| 1  | determine the rates for that service on the same basis the utility |
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| 2  | uses to determine the rates for other commercial businesses,       |
| 3  | including hotels and motels, that serve transient customers and    |
| 4  | receive nonsubmetered master metered utility service from the      |
| 5  | utility.                                                           |
| 6  | (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter,           |
| 7  | the commission has jurisdiction to enforce this section.           |
| 8  | SECTION 2. This Act applies to potable water or wastewater         |
| 9  | service provided on or after the effective date of this Act.       |
| 10 | Potable water or wastewater service provided before the effective  |
| 11 | date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the  |
| 12 | service was provided, and that law is continued in effect for that |
| 13 | purpose.                                                           |
| 14 | SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.                |

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President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 841 was passed by the House on April 29, 2005, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 841 was passed by the Senate on May 24, 2005, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:

Date

Governor