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H.B. No. 2049

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to assessments levied on producers and used for marketing,  
education, research, and promotion of Texas beef.

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

SECTION 1. Section 41.160, Agriculture Code, is amended to  
read as follows:

§ 41.160. ASSESSMENTS [~~APPLICABILITY OF OTHER LAW~~]

(a) The commissioner, on the recommendation of the council,  
shall propose the maximum assessment in a referendum under Section  
41.162, and the manner in which it is collected.

(b) If an assessment referendum is approved, the council  
shall collect the assessment.

(c) An assessment levied on producers may be applied to  
efforts relating to the marketing, education, research, and  
promotion of beef and beef products in Texas, the United States, and  
international markets.

(d) Assessments collected by the council are not state funds  
and are not required to be deposited in the state treasury.

~~[(c) Section 41.083 applies to an assessment collected by  
the council under this subchapter. Section 41.082 does not apply to  
an assessment collected under this subchapter.]~~

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. 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

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1 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for  
2 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2005.